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RED ARMY THROWN BACK

Attack On Mannerheim Line In East Karelia Collapses In Defeat

HOLLAND SEIZES NAZI SHIPS

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Amsterdam, Yesterday. Four German steamers which had taken refuge at Emmenhaven (Java) were seized by the British yesterday because they were unable to pay for coal supplies, presumably owing to lack of foreign currency.

Other German ships taking refuge at Baban-tiwel (Bumatra) were similarly seized.—Havas.



British troops in the Mannerheim Line, in an underground position, having an equipment inspection. (Copyright, By Air Mail, Passed by the Censor).

SEVEN MEN ON A RAFT SAVED BY R.A.F.

London, Yesterday.

SEVEN MEN OWE THEIR lives to the skill and persistence of a Royal Air Force plane of the Coastal Command.

The men, survivors of an unidentified vessel, were drifting in heavy seas and foggy weather in the North Sea, and would undoubtedly have perished but for the R.A.F. plane's action.

Returning from patrol to their base in Scotland, the crew of the plane saw two small objects in the sea about half a mile to starboard.

At first they were thought to be mines, and the crew got ready to destroy them with machine-gun fire. Approaching closer, however, and using binoculars, the navigator made out two rafts, tied together. Four men were on one raft and three on the other.

Heavy seas were breaking over the rafts and, as the plane was not a seaplane, there was nothing they could do but to search for a ship to effect a rescue. Ten miles away they spotted the Danish ship Eva.

SIGNALS NOT UNDERSTOOD. Lamp signals from the plane were not understood, so the plane returned and found the rafts again. Settling out from the spot once more, the plane came across a Norwegian ship.

The R.A.F. machine fired coloured search lights into the sea, but obtained no reaction from the ship. The Danish ship Eva was now approaching the scene, and the plane flew over the rafts at a height of several feet.

The men on the rafts were in a state of extreme exhaustion but all managed to raise an arm and wave. The enemy tanks failed against anti-tank traps and the remarkable anti-tank guns Finland purchased from Sweden.

Colonel Mellblom admitted that the Red Army advanced 35 miles in the first week, but declared they had been stopped.

The R.A.F. plane then took matters into its own hands and flew across the ship's bows, guiding her to the spot yard by yard. When the men were seen to have been saved the plane flew past for the last time and then returned to her base.—Reuter.

ACTION ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, Yesterday. This morning's French war communiqué reports infantry and artillery activity at various points on the front.—Reuter.

German infantry yesterday attacked in some force on the northern flank.

Yesterday afternoon a German plane tried to machinegun French outposts but was driven off by anti-aircraft fire. There were no French casualties.

Heavy fighting is reported east of the Meuse.—Reuter.

RUMBLE OF GUNS AUDIBLE IN VIBORG: PRISONERS' STORY

Viborg, Yesterday.

REUTER'S SPECIAL correspondent, on arrival here to-day, heard the dull rumble of guns as the Finns replied fiercely to the Soviet artillery at Kannas, 17 miles away.

The commander of the Viborg district, Colonel Mellblom, who is youthful in appearance, told Reuter that he estimated Russian losses in tanks at at least 100.

The Red tanks, he said, are old and thinly plated, while the crews are poorly disciplined.

The charge d'affaires said the article did not reflect the "feelings of reciprocal friendship between the Soviet Union and Rumania."

The assurance has been received with the greatest satisfaction in Rumanian official circles.—Reuter.

CUSTOMS MAN BADLY INJURED

SHANGHAI, YESTERDAY. STRUCK ON THE HEAD WITH A HAMMER BY A DISGRUNTLED CHINESE CUSTOMS EMPLOYEE, EDWARD CORNISH, 41-YEAR-OLD BRITISH LIGHTS MECHANIC IN THE CUSTOMS, IS NOW IN THE GENERAL HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM CONCUSSION.

No details are available of the reason for the attack.

First aid was rendered by two Japanese surgeons and later an operation was performed in the General Hospital.

Mr. Cornish's condition is believed to be serious.—Reuter.

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250,000 REGISTER FOR ARMY

London, Yesterday. A quarter of a million men reported to the nearest Labour Exchanges to-day, where they registered for military service. They were between the ages of 20 and 23 and had not already registered for service. This is the third group to be registered since the introduction of conscription. It is not proposed to call this group for service before the New Year.—Reuter.

Hand-To-Hand Clash In Critical Stages

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

HELSINKI, YESTERDAY.

THE LONG SUSTAINED SOVIET OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE MANNERHEIM LINE IN THE EAST KARELIAN SECTOR HAS COLLAPSED IN A CRUSHING DEFEAT AND CALAMITOUS LOSSES, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST REPORTS COMING IN FROM THE BATTLE ZONES.

In a swift counter-attack, the Finnish forces have thrown back the Red Army from six to eight miles from the main defences of the Mannerheim Line and relieved the pressure along the whole line of this vitally important sector.

The Red Army broke and retreated after an engagement, in the forward positions of the Mannerheim defence system, which raged for nearly thirty hours at close quarters.

Finnish despatches, which speak of severe enemy losses, admit that Finnish casualties were heavy, as a result of bitter hand-to-hand fighting in the most critical stage of the battle.

Meanwhile, sharp clashes are occurring farther north where the Soviet Command is struggling for a position which would outflank the Mannerheim Line.

In the Petsamo region, a violent Arctic snowstorm has brought hostilities virtually to a standstill. It is claimed that the Red Army has lost over 2,000 killed in recent operations on the Arctic front.

The Finnish Government, in the meantime, has issued a statement declaring that the Soviet does not possess sufficient naval forces in the Baltic to make blockade of the Finnish coast effective, and that the declaration of a blockade cannot be recognised in international law.—Havas.

AN UPSET FOR THE SOVIET?

BUCHAREST, YESTERDAY. THE SOVIET CHARGE D'AFFAIRES CALLED ON M. GAFENCU, THE RUMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, YESTERDAY AND INFORMED HIM THAT THE ARTICLE IN THE "COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL" ATTACKING RUMANIA, DID NOT CORRESPOND WITH THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

It is interesting to note, however, that Russia has created a special military district in Odessa, which runs along the Rumanian frontier.

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BRITAIN ASKS THE REASON WHY. London, Yesterday. The Soviet assurance to Rumania has received due attention in official quarters, in London, but there is an inclination to regard as a more adequate commentary on the Soviet Government's real intentions the fact that at exactly the same time of assuring Rumania of their friendly intentions, they have constituted a new special military district for Odessa.

It seems possible, in the view of informed observations, that the real reason for giving the assurances was that the Soviet forces had received an unexpected setback in the attack on Finland which necessitated some delay in putting their plans against Rumania into operation.—British Wireless.

NAZI DEBT FIGURES

London, Yesterday. Official figures issued in Berlin to-day disclose that Germany's public debt in August and September increased by £225,000,000.

The total public debt of the Nazis is now over £2,000,000,000.—Reuter.

Blockade issue. Helsinki, Yesterday. Political circles here emphasize the great difficulty of blockading Finland. (Continued on page 20)

ANOTHER PRIZE FOR NAVY

London, Yesterday. The Royal Navy has now captured 19 German prizes. The latest capture is the Hanning Oldendorf (3,413 tons), which has been taken to a British port.—Reuter.

ANOTHER U-BOAT'S CAREER ENDED

London, Yesterday.

The Air Ministry announces that the Air Force Coastal Command has attacked a second German submarine.

Patches of oil appeared on the surface and depth charges were released by destroyers a few minutes later.

R.A.F. planes sighted the submarine while she was on patrol in the Atlantic with her conning-tower awash.

Diving to the attack, the planes dropped a salvo of bombs on the submarine, which began to sink.

A further ton of high explosives was then dropped, when large quantities of oil appeared.

The planes were then seen to destroy the submarine, who raced to the scene and dropped depth charges on the spot, writing this to the U-boat's career.—Reuter.

GERMAN CRAFT HITS OWN MINE

COPENHAGEN, YESTERDAY. A GERMAN NAVAL LAUNCH HIT A MINE OFF THE SOUTH DANISH COAST YESTERDAY AND SANK ALMOST IMMEDIATELY.

ALL LIVES ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN LOST.

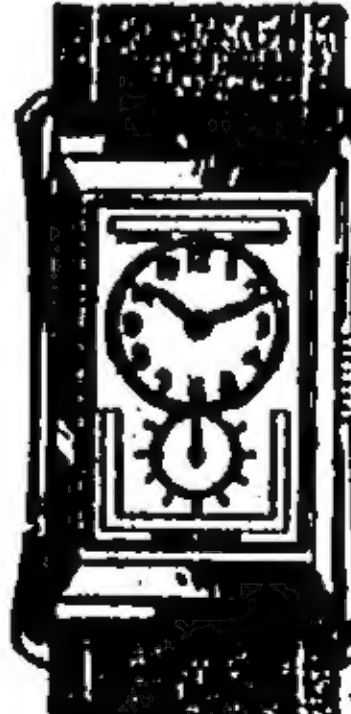
SHE WENT DOWN IN THE GERMAN MINE FIELD.—REUTER.

STOCKHOLM REPORT DENIED. London, Yesterday. The report that Stockholm has been closed to shipping is now stated to be untrue.

The Swedish Minister in London stated to-day that the port is open as usual.—Reuter.

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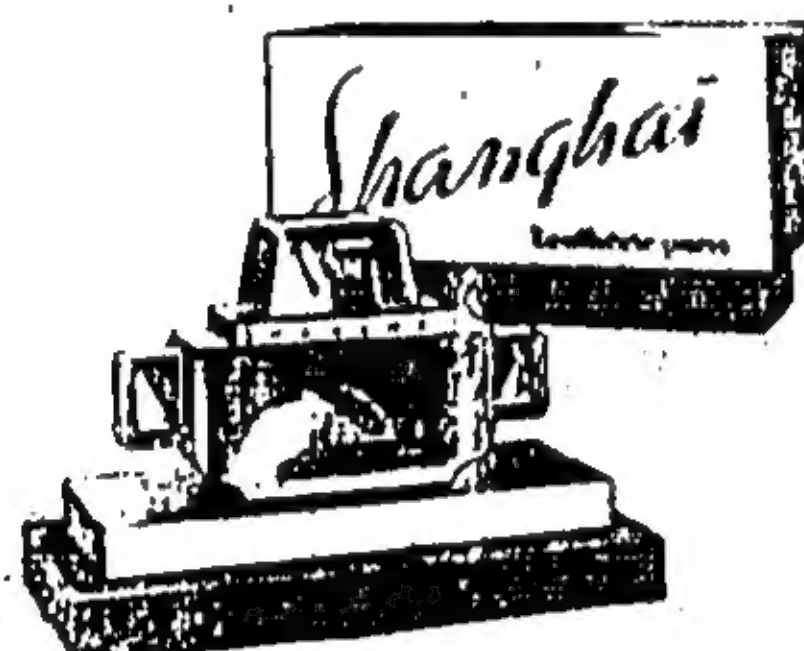
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FILLING: Clean one chicken, sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of salt. Bake with ¼ cup dry sherry, 1 tomato, 2 tablespoons lard, 1 small onion and 3 cloves of garlic. Allow to cool, bone in, and cut meat in small pieces. Mix with the following sauce:

SAUCE: Cut in very small pieces ½ onion, 1 peeled tomato and ¼ green pepper (remove seeds); chop 2 cloves of garlic. Fry all together over low fire for 15 minutes in 1½ tablespoons lard with 1½ teaspoons black pepper and ¼ teaspoon salt. Add 2 tablespoons dry sherry, 1 tablespoon seeded raisins, 1 tablespoon sliced almonds, ½ tablespoon capers and five sliced olives. Remove from fire and add chicken.



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SHE PLANS FOR WOMEN LISTENERS



IF it's a talk from the London studios on fashion, on children, on family management, on the kitchen in particular or the home in general, you may depend upon it that behind that talk is Irish-born Janet Quigley, the woman who has made it her job to put the housewife right on the listening nump.

Slender, fair-haired, an Oxford graduate, Janet Quigley has been nearly ten years with the B.B.C., has spent the last three of them cramming with interest, instruction, amusement the morning household hour and the afternoon tea-time hour.

A Jiff-of-all-Trades Janet Quigley has been in her time, though she's a one-trade woman now, planning her microphone menus of feminine fare from an office on the fifth floor of Broadcasting House.

FROM Oxford, she came down to contemplate the world with a quelling eye and an Honours degree in English; picked off the near inevitability of the English-degree-holding graduate, entered a small publisher's.

"I learned more hard truths and found out more about men and women in nine months than in the next nine years. I came out of that publisher's ready for anything."

From publishing books to selling books she turned, went to one of the principals of a big London store, convinced him that he needed a book department with herself in charge.

"Any experience?" demanded he. "No, but I'd like some."

"Then get it, and the job's yours."

From City bookshop to City bookshop went Janet Quigley, learned how to sell books, came back to the store, sold them in the department made for her, stayed a year, decided on a change.

She coached girls for the universities, travelled, took over women's interests for the Empire Marketing Board, came to the B.B.C. in 1930 and had broadcasting under her skin in two months.

For seven years she arranged relay from the Continent and the U.S.A., took over women's interests a couple of years ago, became the only woman (apart from secretaries) in the B.B.C.'s Talks Department. Here, as well as looking after women's features, she arranged other talks, particularly "The Theatre" series.

DOWNRIGHT and straightforward is her policy on broadcasting for women.

"Only real women's interests, none of your 'women's angles' on general topics. In broadcasting you should only divide the sexes where you can hardly help yourself."

"I put 'women only' talks on the air—beauty, home, cooking, children, early education. I believe in bringing the doctor, the psychologist, the chef, the dietitian right into the home."

THOUGH Belfast-born, Janet Quigley has adopted England completely. Lives in a book lined Baker Street flat, flies, when the microphone lets her, to her tiny Elizabethan cottage in Oxfordshire. Here she walks herself stiff, reads, sleeps—and plays darts in the "four-ale" bar of the local inn. "Hobbies? I just haven't the time for them—being alive, seeing the friends I want to see, reading the books I want to read, hearing the music I want to hear seem enough to me. The best hobby of all is living congenially, fully and sincerely—I take bad photographs, watch good plays and enjoy nice people."

CHARLES GORDON.

Hairdressing at Home

SHAMPOO & SETTING

IF a woman has got to be independent of her hairdresser her wisest course is to have a really good permanent wave, and then learn how to shampoo and set her hair at home.

The actual shampoo is an easy matter. There are dozens of good, inexpensive shampoos on the market. All of them carry instructions for successful results. Setting your hair after the shampoo requires patience and practice, but it can be done if you know how to go about it the right way.

If the hair is inclined to be dry the best hair setting lotion is made with vinegar and water. Add a cupful of vinegar to a pint of warm water. Rinse the hair thoroughly with this, and the hair is set while it is still wet.

SIMPLE EQUIPMENT

YOU will need three or four packets of small hair pins, a very coarse net to tie around the hair, a small comb as well as a few big setting combs.

Comb the hair over the top of the head in the direction which it should go, pinch the waves in with your fingers, set in the combs to keep the waves in place. When this is done the side curls should be dealt with. A tiny strand of hair is divided with the comb, twisted into a small flat curl and pinned in place with two or three pins. The strand next to this is then divided and pinned up in the same way.

Slightly larger strands can be taken for the curls at the back of the head, but each curl must be twisted quite flat.

FOR greasy hair, a spirit hair-setting lotion is better than these lotions ready made up of vinegar and water. You can get specially perfumed, and their price is quite reasonable. After the hair has been set, the net is tied over the whole head and the hair must be dried either in front of a fire or with a hand drier.

Knitting For The War Hot Water Bottle Covers

HOT water bottle covers are needed by service and other hospitals. This cover, with tab fastening buttoning neatly over either side of the neck, is made from directions issued by the Central Hospital Supply Service, British Red Cross Society and Order of St. John. Home knitters are guarding against the future by ensuring that each member of the



family has a bottle capable of doing service for two or more seasons. Many covers will be knitted in the next few weeks, some of which are destined as Christmas gifts.

Materials: 4ozs. Double Knitting Wool; 2 knitting needles, No. 1; 2 buttons.

Abbreviations: K, knit; st, stitch; tog, together; m, make, by bringing wool forward between needles and over right-hand needle; garter-stitch, i.e., every row plain.

Small Size (8in. x 10in.): Commence at top, casting on 28st. K. in garter-stitch for 10 inches. Next row: K.11, cast off 6, k.11. Next row: K.11, cast on 6, k.11. K. in garter-stitch for another 10 inches. Next Row: Cast off 4, k.8, cast off 4, k.8, cast off 4. Break off wool and rejoin to one set of sts. on needle. Next 12 rows: K. Next 3 rows: K.2, k.2 tog, m.1, k.3. Next 3 rows: K. Cast off. Knit other tab in same way.

Medium Size (8in. x 12in.): Work as for small size, but k. in garter-stitch for 12 inches instead of 10 inches.

Large Size (10in. x 12in.): Commence at top, casting on 34 sts. K. in garter-stitch for 12 inches. Next row: K.14 cast off 6, k.14.

Next Row: K. 14 cast on 6, k.14. K. in garter-stitch for 12 inches. Next row: Cast off 6, k.8, cast off 6, k.8, cast off 6. Knit flaps up for small and medium sizes.

To Make Up: Press lightly under a damp cloth with a hot iron. Sew up sides. Fold top flap over for 4 inches, then sew up sides. Sew on buttons to correspond with buttonholes.

Knitting Army Socks

THREE sizes of feet are officially recognised in the Army—slender men's, and outside men's. Only one size in just over seven men has outside feet.

Here are the proportions, given officially, as a guide to knitters at work on socks for the troops.

Of every 1,000 men, 181 are classed as slender, socks 10½in.; 683 require 11in. socks; 136 are outside, socks 11½in.

HAM AND APPLES

VARY the time-honoured custom of serving applesauce with roast pork by covering baked ham and ham steak with sliced apple. It's a delicious combination.

1-pound slice of ham
4 red apples, sliced
2 tablespoons prepared mustard.
1 cup brown sugar
½ cup cider vinegar
½ teaspoon powdered cloves
½ cup water.

The ham should be cut two-thirds of an inch thick and the rind taken off. Place the ham in a shallow pan and spread with mustard and cloves. Slice the apples, without peeling, into half-inch pieces and place on top of the ham with the edges overlapping. Sprinkle with sugar and add vinegar and water. Cover and bake in a moderate oven for one hour, basting every 15 minutes. To brown the top, uncover and bake until done.

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BRITAIN'S RESPONSE TO WAR LOAN CALL

LONDON, YESTERDAY. THE DEMAND FOR THE NEW SAVINGS CERTIFICATES AND DEFENCE BONDS WHICH, FROM THE MOMENT OF THEIR ISSUE WAS PROMPT, CONTINUES SUBSTANTIAL AND SATISFACTORY WITH THE PROGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SAVINGS MOVEMENT WAS EXPRESSED YESTERDAY IN A SPEECH IN THE CITY BY THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

The "Daily Telegraph" says no better evidence could be given of the people's wholehearted approval of the war and of their unqualified confidence in the victorious issue than their readiness to cast their savings into the national war chest.

Referring to Sir John Simon's statement that we have now reached a stage of the war when saving in order to lead to the Government must take precedence over private spending, "The Times" says that we cannot allow normal industry to perish, owing to the need to manufacture for export and because the importance of keeping home trade going cannot be overlooked.

REVISED POLICY. Lordly speaking "the nation is content to give its surplus spending power into the hands of the Government, subject only to the provision that the Government will turn that spending-power in a right direction and that they will use it without waste."

"That is why the demand for revision of our economic organisation has arisen and cannot be satisfied with the increase in our export trade during November."

"That increase is a cause for satisfaction but not for complacency."—British Wireless.

TRYING IT ON THE PUP?

LONDON, YESTERDAY. REPORTS FROM URUGUAY STATE THAT SOME INDIGNATION, TEMPERED WITH AMUSEMENT, HAS BEEN CAUSED THERE BY THE ACTION OF THE NAZI MINISTER IN SOLEMNLY WARNING URUGUAY AGAINST PRESSING CRITICISM OF THE NAZI REGIME.

The Minister informed the Uruguayan Government that "such criticism will inevitably lead to a situation where Uruguay will not be able to keep her liberty of action!"—Reuter.

TRINIDAD'S BUDGET

LONDON, YESTERDAY. The Trinidad Legislature yesterday voted the largest Budget in its history.

Expenditure in 1940 is estimated at £3,350,000, of which £200,000 is for defence.—Reuter.

GRACIE FIELDS' WAR FRONT CONCERTS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. It is announced that a portion of Gracie Fields' concerts for the troops in France on Christmas night is being broadcast.—Reuter.

BLUNT JAPANESE GENERAL

Declines To State Conditions For Lifting Tientsin Blockade



Gerard Wensing, a Dutchman, with his 18-month-old baby, Albert. He also saved his six years old son in the Simon Bolivar disaster but both are now motherless. (Copyright, By Air Mail).

(At right)—A group of survivors of the Simon Bolivar disaster after their terrible ordeal, seen in London. (Copyright, By Air Mail).



SOVIET OVERTURES FOR PACT WITH JAPAN

Tokyo, Yesterday. WHILE OPINIONS DIFFER whether Japan is planning to negotiate a non-aggression pact with the Soviet, it is generally believed here that such a possibility cannot be ruled out.

It is not considered probable, however, that such negotiations would take place until, firstly, several pending problems, including Japanese rights in North Saghalien and the fisheries question, have been solved, and secondly, a trade pact has been concluded.

The "Nichi Nichi," in an editorial to-day, declares that a tentative date for the opening of formal negotiations for a trade pact has been set for the middle of January.

The Journal also states that the Japanese Ambassador to Moscow and the Soviet Foreign Commissar will in the meantime "carry on frank conversations tending to assist the trade talks in an attempt to arrive at a political solution of Japan-Soviet relations."

The paper comments on the fact that the Soviet trade talks are scheduled to open so shortly before the abrogation of the Japanese-American trade treaty, and expresses the belief that the policy of "playing off one Power against the other is being utilized to its fullest extent."—Reuter.

BUILDING MAY BE RELEASED

Shanghai, Yesterday. The Japanese gendarmes, who two months ago forcibly occupied the offices of the Bank of Communications, in the International Settlement, are rumoured to be preparing to evacuate the premises shortly, says a report in the "Sin Wan Pao."

The bank authorities, however, hitherto have not been notified by the Japanese of their intentions, the report adds.—Reuter.

AMERICAN BASES IN HAITI

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Washington, Yesterday. Steno Vincent, President of the Republic of Haiti, has arrived in Washington.

It is believed his visit is connected with the establishment of American naval and air bases in Haiti.—Havas.

SUPPLYING BRITAIN'S WAR NEEDS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. ASTONISHING FIGURES OF PRODUCTION FOR THE ARMY HAVE BEEN REVEALED BY LORD WOOLTON, OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY.

They were turning out more in a month than they were in a year in peacetime, he said.

The twelve firms on Government contract before the war had now been expanded to 500.

Half a million battle dresses had been turned out last month. Women in the army, he said, were responsible for the increased demand for boots, and they needed more footwear than all the army in peacetime.—Reuter.

WINDHUK AT SANTOS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. THE NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT OF "THE TIMES" REPORTS THAT THE GERMAN MERCHANT MAN WINDHUK, WHICH SUD- DENLY AND DISGUISED LEFT LOSITO BAY ON NOV. 20, ARRIVED ON THURSDAY AT SANTOS FLYING THE JAPANESE FLAG.

She hoisted the German colours before docking and had the fictitious name "Santos Maru" painted out.

The Windhuk brought 35 passengers and 5,000 tons of cargo.

Members of the crew said they expected the ship to leave at an unspecified time for Hamburg.—Reuter.

LONDON NAVAL TREATY OBLIGATIONS

Ottawa, Yesterday. Canada has given notice to the League of Nations that she is suspending her obligations under the London Naval Treaty.

Similar action has already been taken by Great Britain, the United States, France and Italy.—Reuter.

U. S. AND SOVIET BLOCKADE

Washington, Yesterday. The United States has told Soviet Russia she will be held responsible for any damage to American interests as the result of the blockade of Finland.—Reuter.

DENIES SCHEMES TO DRIVE OUT FOREIGNERS

Peking, Yesterday.

GENERAL TADA, COMMANDING Japanese forces in North China, in an interview with foreign correspondents to-day replied to questions with much frankness.

General Tada stated the main reason Japan was continuing the Tientsin blockade was that anti-Japanese activities had still not been completely eradicated.

He gave no indication of an early cessation of the blockade, and refused to state the definite conditions which the Japanese require before it is lifted.

Discussing the position of foreigners in North China, General Tada denied the Japanese intention to drive foreign interests out, but declared the present war was more difficult than any the Japanese army had previously waged and that though the Japanese would do their utmost to avoid trespass or damage to foreign property occasional incidents were unavoidable.

He claimed the Japanese were frank and outspoken, and if they had intentions to exclude foreign interests would have no hesitation in saying so.

TEMPORARY CITY HALL PLANNED

Erection of a temporary City Hall is now under official consideration, the "Sunday Herald" learns.

Appearance of the proposal at this time is due to breakdown, at least for the duration of the war, of the scheme by which Government proposed to take over the area now occupied by Murray Barracks for city development.

It was intended to build an imposing City Hall on the site occupied at present by the Officers' Mess. For the time being, the main scheme must needs be shelved, and suitable sites are now being examined with a view to the erection of a City Hall building of a purely temporary nature.

Among the sites suggested is St. John's Place, opposite the Peak Tram lower station.

NO CHANGE OUT OF RUMANIA

Bucharest, Yesterday. The German trade delegation here is reported to be angry at the lack of progress in their efforts to secure immediately quantities of food and other commodities, in return for industrial goods.

Negotiations were continued all day yesterday, but the negotiations were fruitless.—Reuter.

HUMOUR AT KREMLIN

Moscow, Yesterday. Soviet Russia's greatest effrontery to date is in the announcement yesterday that the Finnish blockade is being carried out at the request of the Finns themselves—i.e. the puppet government at Terijoki.

This statement formed part of an announcement issued to foreign diplomats in Moscow yesterday.—Reuter.

NEW PARTY PROGRAMME

Capetown, Yesterday. The new opposition party formed in South Africa is to demand amendment of the Simonstown Convention (by which the British maintains a naval base at Simonstown), immediate peace, a 75 per cent. majority in votes on war measures and adoption of the Afrikaans version of the National Anthem.—Reuter.

FANCY DRESS PARTY FOR CHILDREN

A children's fancy dress party, in aid of the B.W.O.F. is to be held at the Peninsula Hotel on December 22. There will be dancing and musical games and the dance band of the Royal Scots will be in attendance. Tickets are to be £2 for children and £1 for adults.

SAAR FRONT RAID REPULSED

Paris, Yesterday. Three German companies to-day attempted to cut off a French outpost of the Maginot Line. Although outnumbered, the French outpost beat off the attack successfully.—Reuter.

MORE PETROL FOR TROOPS ON LEAVE

London, Yesterday. Officers and men of the British Expeditionary Force will be given an additional petrol ration giving them 300 miles of travel while on leave.—Reuter.

CHUNGSHAN AGAIN MENACED

MACAO, YESTERDAY. CHUNG SHAN DISTRICT IS AGAIN THREATENED WITH INVASION. JAPANESE TROOPS HAVING BEEN LANDED AT SHIU-WONG-PU, ACCORDING TO MESSAGES RECEIVED HERE THIS AFTERNOON.

Last reports stated that the Chinese have withdrawn inland to avoid the incessant bombing by Japanese aircraft.

Martial law is now enforced in Shek-ki and reinforcements are being sent to Shiu-wong-pu.—Our Own Correspondent.

REDS OUT OF FAVOUR

LONDON, YESTERDAY. ONE OF THE RESULTS OF THE SOVIET ATTACK ON FINLAND IS THE REACTION IN SEVERAL COUNTRIES TO COMMUNISTS.

Six of eleven Communist members of the Icelandic Parliament have resigned.

The Danish-Icelandic Inter-Parliamentary Union have expelled all Reds.

In Brazil, about 100 Reds have been arrested in Rio de Janeiro on a charge of plotting against the security of the State.—Reuter.

COL. REITZ IN PORTUGAL

Lisbon, Yesterday. Colonel Reitz had an interview yesterday evening with President Carmona of Portugal.

At his earlier meeting with M. Salazar, the South African Minister to Portugal was also present.—Reuter.

SHIPS IN FINNISH HARBOURS LOADING GOODS FOR BRITAIN

London, Yesterday. The Finnish Minister to London announced yesterday that a number of ships were still in Finnish harbours loading goods for Britain.—Reuter.

NEW PRESIDENT OF PERU

Lima, Yesterday. Manuel Prado has been installed in formal ceremony as the new President of Peru.—Reuter.



This picture was taken at the concert for British troops in France when Miss Gracie Fields sang to them. Gracie was on her way to Capri to recuperate from her illness. She had a tremendous ovation. (Copyright, By Air Mail).

RUSSIAN BAZAAR IN KOWLOON

BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE HISTORY OF THE COLONY, A RUSSIAN BAZAAR WAS HELD IN THE CHURCH HALL OF ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NATHAN ROAD, YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The bazaar was organised by the Russian Ladies' Association, which is the ladies' committee of the Russian Orthodox Church of Hong Kong. Various social functions have been held in past years in aid of church funds, but this year the committee decided to hold a bazaar, and while no figures are yet available, it bore all the hall-marks of a success when visited yesterday afternoon.

The bazaar was declared open in a short speech, followed by a benediction, by the Rev. Father Uspensky.

VARIETY OF STALLS.

There was a wide variety of stalls, containing Russian goods in large assortment, ranging all the way from paintings and jewellery to embroidery and coffee pots.

The proceeds are chiefly for the construction of a new Russian Church, but 10 per cent. will be set aside for the British War Organisation Fund.

H.K. GINGER TRADE

Sir.—We have come across a report in your last issue of the "Sunday Herald" on the Ginger Trade and wish to point out that although the war did deter exportation at the beginning, conditions are now more settled and foreign orders, particularly from England, are coming in regularly.

We made the correction because buyers abroad might hold off purchasing, expecting that the reported dullness might lead to a decline in prices.

We do not wish our customers to be misled. If there is a change in prices at all in the future, it will be on the upside due to the much higher cost of sugar and coal, etc.

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BLOOMER IN GAZETTE

A "GOVERNMENT GAZETTE EXTRAORDINARY" WAS ISSUED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, CONTAINING NOTHING MORE THAN THE RETURN OF THE AVERAGE AMOUNT OF BANK NOTES IN CIRCULATION DURING NOVEMBER.

Renson was an error of nearly \$30,000,000 in the amount issued by the H.K. and S. Bank in the return published in the normal "Gazette."

The amount should have been \$105,232,228. It was shown at \$105,278,000, suggesting inaccurately a sudden deflationary policy.

K.C.R. PROFIT

Despite the heavy reduction in traffic, the Kowloon-Canton Railway still shows a profit. In the first nine months of the year, income totalled \$683,181 and expenditure \$552,701.

HEEP YUNN SCHOOL

The annual speech day of the Heep Yunn School is to be held next Friday, when Dr. Li Ying-lam, President of Lingnan University, will present the certificates.

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(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Bern, Yesterday.

THE JOKE IS ONE OF THE most powerful arms of the anti-Nazi movement and the German authorities are trying to stop the distribution of a pamphlet entitled "Obituary of a German National Socialist."

The pamphlet is being anonymously but widely circulated.

The obituary begins: "We regret to announce the death of Mr. German National-Socialist, who died on September 25 on the Russo-German demarcation line in Poland."

It goes on—

"Deceased was 20 years old and died in accomplishment of his duty in the prime of his youth and strength."

"His life was devoted to anti-Bolshevist action."

"He spent a happy childhood with his mother, Mrs. Weimar Republic, who fed him on Dr. Hitler's patent anti-Marxist infant food, which has always proved beneficial to nervous and feeble-minded children."

"While still a child he launched the anti-Bolshevist campaign, which accidentally killed his mother."

"WELCOME TO OUR CITY"

"He then carried the anti-Bolshevist struggle to Austria, and Vienna, who suffered so much from the Communists, greeted him with shouts of 'Down with Hitler,' which is a local expression meaning 'Welcome to our city.'"

"Continuing the campaign, he was cheerfully received in Prague, from which city he expelled the Communists."

"SEVERE INDIGESTION"

"He was about to purge the Western Democracies of Communism, upon their own request, when he fell in Poland, suffering from severe indigestion which set on at the precise moment when, with true Christian spirit, he was going to kiss the Communist foe."

"He was buried in Danzig." — Havas.

"mere demonstrations against Germany and Russia," and consequently in favour of Britain and France.

It is added that "neutral nations must fully realise the real significance of neutrality." — Havas.

BERLIN STILL TRIES THREATS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

Neutral nations wishing to participate in the forthcoming session of the League of Nations will place themselves "in a very precarious position."

This declaration is made by Wilhelmstrasse circles, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Danish newspaper "National Tidende."

The Nazi official view, the correspondent says, is that the League is purely a British and French undertaking, and neutrals participating in the session will be considered by Germany as transgressing their neutrality.

The Reich regards the proceedings at Geneva as



Scene at a South coast port as more British troops embarked for France. The men were in high spirits and waved a cheery farewell. (Copyright, Fox).

U-BOAT PAYS FOR SUCCESS

London, Yesterday. It is reported that the U-boat which torpedoed and damaged the destroyer, H.M.S. Jersey, with a loss of ten lives, has since been sunk by British naval action. — Reuters.

Three U-boats have been sunk in the last two days, two by the R.A.F. coastal patrol aircraft, and one by naval action.

VONPAPEN LEAVES SUDDENLY

(Special To "Sunday Herald")

Istanbul, Yesterday. The German Ambassador, Franz von Papen, left suddenly yesterday for an undisclosed destination.

It is believed his departure was connected with the distribution by the Nazi Embassy's press office of pamphlets criticising the Turkish press.

It is recalled that von Papen was German military attaché at Washington in the Great War, and the United States Government requested his recall after he had engaged in activities incompatible with his diplomatic status. — Havas.

BRITISH PILOT'S DOG-FIGHT ESCAPE

London, Yesterday.

FURTHER DETAILS OF THE latest German air engagement over the east coast of Scotland show that altogether nine enemy aircraft were attacked and driven off by Royal Air Force fighter aircraft. Five of the enemy were seen to be hit.

Two German Heinkels attempted to get past, flying almost at sea level, below the British fighter patrol.

The fighters dived and gave the enemy several bursts of fire, chasing them eastward. There was no reply to the British fire.

Soon afterwards seven Heinkels were seen and attacked as they were flying south down the coast in close formation.

A British fighter patrol drove the Heinkels down to sea level and one pilot carried out a running attack fifteen feet above the water.

A second pilot hit one of the enemy aircraft and then attacked a second which returned the fire. This latter also appeared to be hit.

NARROW ESCAPE A third British pilot tackled two Heinkels, registering hits on one of them as they skinned to one hundred feet over the sea.

A fourth fighter pilot had a narrow escape.

He had seen his bullets hit a Heinkel when he himself was hit by cross fire from another aircraft.

One bullet pierced his ear-phones and wounded him in the ear. A second hit him in the

left thigh and a third pierced the petrol tank.

Although dizzy from loss of blood he managed to return safely.

The Heinkels, speeding south, encountered a patrol of three British fighters five minutes later.

DISAPPEARED INTO MIST Two of the British fighters hit two of the Heinkels.

The Heinkels, five holed by bullets, disappeared into the mist on their long and difficult journey home.

The British pilot who was wounded was born in Sydney, South Wales, and learned his flying in Australia.

He led the first attack in an action fought some weeks ago over the North Sea, as a result of which seven out of twelve enemy planes failed to reach home.

His section was officially accredited with the first of these to be brought down. — British Wireless.

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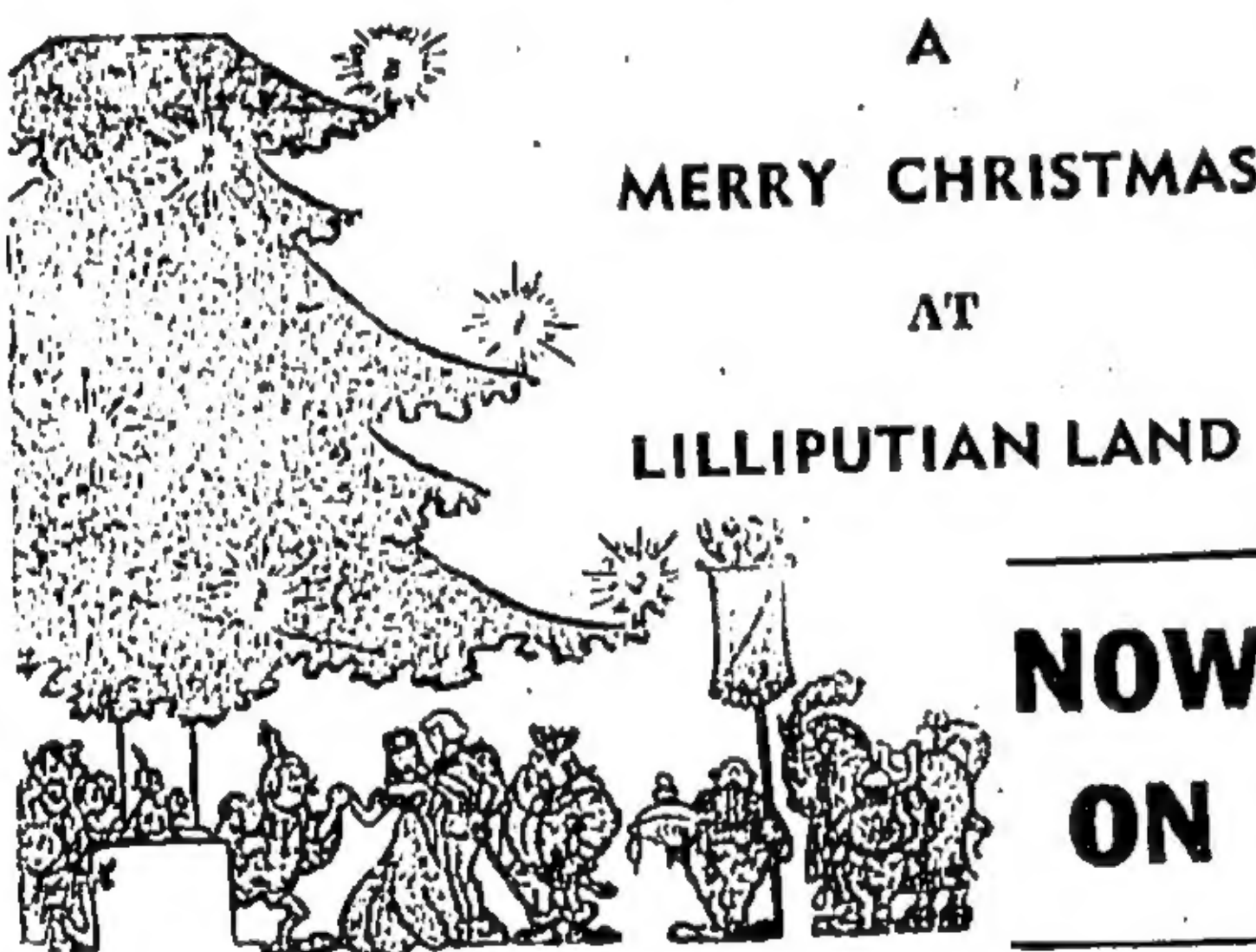
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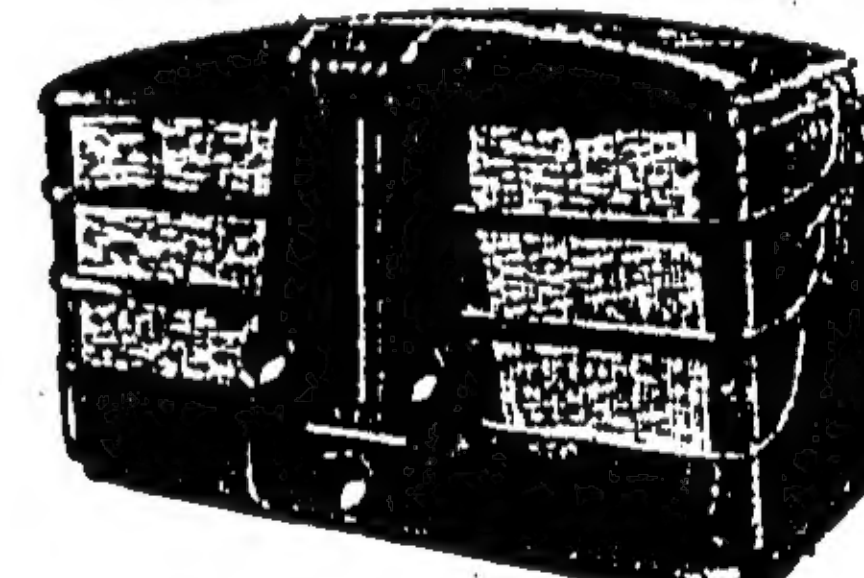
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The first day will be rung at 1.00 p.m.

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MR. MORRIS AND
ST. JOHNMEDICAL
AID IN
N.T.TWO INTERESTING
RESOLUTIONS

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch, held at the China Merchants Club, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

(1). Resolved that the New Territories Hospitals and Clinics, under the control of the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch be completely handed over to Mr. Morris, who will continue to run them.

The Chairman mentioned that although many members of the Committee were unable to attend, they had previously given him to understand that they would agree to the resolution, in connection with the policy of the New Territories Clinics.

(2). Resolved that the above resolution be sent to the Executive Committee of the St. John Ambulance Association, c/o Mr. E. Raymond.

Dr. Arthur Woo presided at the meeting.

9 CHILDREN
LIVING
UNDER
STAIRCASE

DESCRIBED AS A WIDOW WITH NINE CHILDREN WHOSE HOME HAS BEEN UNDER THE STAIRCASE OF A HOUSE IN NGA TSIN LUNG ROAD, KOWLOON CITY, FOR A CONSIDERABLE TIME, LEUNG MUI, 36, WAS ALLOTTED \$5 FROM THE POOR BOX BY MR. E. HINSMORTH AT THE KOWLOON MAGISTRACY YESTERDAY.

She accused Kong Fat, 25, of stealing her suitcase at 7.30 p.m. on Friday. Returning to her "home," she saw accused leaving with the case in his hand. She shouted, and a Chinese detective arrested accused. Inspector H. E. Rogers said the woman was extremely poor.

Accused was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

TELEGRAMS
IN CODEMAY SOON BE
AUTHORISED

"For the time being, no codes of any nature may be used for cablegrams or telegrams," Mr. D. J. Sloss, Chief Cable Censor, told the "Sunday Herald" yesterday when a representative called to clear up what appeared to be a certain amount of confusion in the matter.

Arrangements have been made for the use of a number of ordinary business codes, together with authenticating groups, and details of these were recently issued by the Cable Censor's Office.

Permission for use of these codes was to have gone into effect on Thursday.

At the last moment, however, Mr. Sloss told the "Sunday Herald," instructions were received from Home to defer authority for codes.

REASON NOT KNOWN
It is not known in Hong Kong why introduction of codes was deferred, but it is possible that there are administrative reasons.

Asked when codes might be permitted, Mr. Sloss said that he was still waiting for further instructions. It is expected that the "release" will be informed immediately.

SHARE TO
CHARITY

AN AGED CHINESE, LI KWAN, AND HIS SON LI WAI, 32, WERE BEFORE MR. R. EDWARDS YESTERDAY, CHARGED WITH UNLAWFULLY COLLECTING MONEY FOR WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

Sergeant Blackburn said that when he was conducting a raid for unlicensed hawkers, he saw defendants and a large crowd outside the World Theatre.

Defendants were holding a shield, flags alleged to have been given by the "Kung Sheung Yat Po," for collections for wounded soldiers of China. Defendants were selling preserved olives.

Defendants said they gave fifty per cent. of the profits to charities. Defendants were fined \$5 each.

YAUMATI TO BE BOMBED

Daylight Exercise Of Colony's A.R.P. Organisation



"Barney," belonging to Mrs. Harry Woods, which died a few days ago at the age of 20 years, a remarkable old dog, equivalent to 120 years in a human being. "Barney" was well-known to many not only in Hong Kong but in other parts of the world.

THE LATE MARSHAL WU PEI-FU

JAPANESE SEEK
TO MAKE CAPITAL
OUT OF DEATH

Peiping, Yesterday.

THE JAPANESE-CONTROLLED press continues to give great play to the death this week of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, the former Chinese war lord, who was said to have been requested on various occasions to lend his support to the new regime in North China for a proposed new central government.

The press is full of praise for the Marshal, who was reputed never to have set foot inside a foreign Concession.

INDIAN P.C.
DESERTS TO
JAPANESE!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A member of the Hong Kong Police Force deserted to the Japanese troops at Shumchun, at the beginning of last month, the "Sunday Herald" learns reliably.

The man concerned in this remarkable incident was Indian Constable (No. 102) Bahan Singh, who was stationed at the Sheung Shui Police Station.

Thirty years of age, Bahan Singh was reported missing from duty on November 7. It was then believed that he had merely prolonged two days' leave.

When, however, he failed to turn up after a few days, efforts were made to locate him. Following an investigation, it was discovered that he had crossed the border and had gone over to the Japanese.

Whether the former police officer is still at Shumchun or being employed by the Japanese in Canton is not known.

Bahan Singh, prior to joining the Hong Kong Police Force in January, 1938, was in the Indian Army and was stationed in the Colony for five years before joining the police. He was unmarried.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL
FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Accused of manslaughter, Wong Chau, 23, was committed for trial at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning.

Yeung Hing, 23, alleged accomplice, was discharged owing to insufficient evidence.

Both were originally accused of having caused the death of Liu Yuk-chi who died in his home after being attacked in Nathan Road.

A special supplement for the children, in picture form, "Jane and Fred's Christmas Adventure," is being published by the "China Mail" to-morrow.

"SURPRISE RAIDS"
PLANNED FOR
WARDENS

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

"A STATE OF WAR IS expected to be declared in the Colony within the next two days.

Already Hong Kong is preparing to mobilise the Colony's military forces and institute submarine and aircraft patrols to give warning of any sudden attack by enemy aircraft."

This is the theme of the Air Raid Precautions Daylight Exercise—the first of its kind to be held in the Colony—on the mainland next Sunday morning, when the efficiency of A.R.P. Personnel and Essential Services will be tested.

Hong Kong will be called, for the purpose of the exercise, Redland, and the enemy will be Blueland. A state of "strained relations" between the two countries will exist from Tuesday until after the exercise, which will be watched by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett and Commodore E. C. Peters.

The neighbourhood most likely to be "bombed" is Yaumati, and all civil air raid precautions in that district will be put into operation on Saturday afternoon.

ALL FORCES "MOBILISED"
The A.R.P. Services to take part in the exercise will be the Yaumati District Air Raid Warden, Decontamination Squad, the Fire Brigade, the Auxiliary Fire Service, Report Centre Staff (Police), Boy Scouts (as casualties and messengers) Medical Services, Road Repair Services; and the A.R.P. Kowloon Headquarters Staff.

Four areas will be "bombed" with the high explosive, incendiary, phosphorus and mustard gas "bombs" with which the A.R.P. Services will be prepared to deal. Four "incidents" will be staged at 15-minute intervals.

FIREWORK "BOMBS"
Nothing will be dropped from the air to represent bombs, but explosions of large fireworks will represent high explosive, small fireworks and mixture Z will denote persistent gas bombs and smoke candle and fire will be used to represent incendiary bombs and non-persistent gas bombs.

On hearing an explosion, the Warden in charge of the "bombed" area will set in motion the processes of dealing with the situation.

The Divisional Air Raid Warden, a Medical Liaison Officer and an Umpire will be at the Report Centre.

PRESSURE ON LINES
For the purpose of the exercise, the "bombs" will be placed, and will not necessarily reproduce actual war-like conditions. In these circumstances, Report Centre would have no difficulty in receiving reports and passing them on to the appropriate authorities.

In order, therefore, to test out the communications system, which in time of war would possibly be inundated with messages, it is proposed to despatch to the Report Centre a number of additional messages which will be prefixed: "Test: No action to be taken."

The officer in charge of the Report Centre will, however, take down all such messages and pass them on to the services affected.

The entire exercise will be under Wing-Commander A. H. Steele-Pedgley, the Director of Air Raid Precautions.

PURPOSE OF EXERCISE
Besides testing the communications system, the main objects of the exercise will be to test Air Raid Wardens in their knowledge of war time duties; the correct working of a Warden's Sector; the speed at which the A.R.P. Services arrive at scenes of disaster; and the time taken to get into action.

All Umpires will report to the Chief Air Raid Warden for Kowloon immediately after the exercises conclude for the purpose of an Umpire's Conference.

Later in the day, all Wardens will be invited to attend to hear the results of the exercise.

No aircraft will be used for the test.

THAT A.R.P.
UNIFORM
STORY

CONTRARY TO REPORTS, THE "SUNDAY HERALD" LEARNS, MEMBERS OF THE A.R.P. PERSONNEL ARE NOT ALL TO BE PROVIDED WITH A.R.P. UNIFORMS.

The A.R.P. Department at present possesses a total of only six uniforms!

It is also stated that there are ample stores of sandbags for A.R.P. in the Colony.

Last year some \$550,000 was provided in the Estimates for this item alone.

An additional sum of \$325,000 is in the Estimates for 1940-41 for the same purpose.

TOY SALE

From 10 o'clock yesterday morning to 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Millington's office in the King's Building were the scene of a busy sale of toys, the proceeds from which are to go to the British War Organisation Fund. The toys were both new and old, the latter having been made as good as new by skilled workmen.

FIRST-AID
POSTS FOR
COLONY

Plans for the establishment of twenty-one first aid posts in the Colony, to deal with any emergency that may possibly arise, are envisaged by the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club.

The Club is holding a charity supper dance and cabaret at the Peninsula Hotel next Thursday, with the support of Lady Northcote, Lady Noble and other distinguished ladies, and the proceeds will go, partly to Chinese refugee relief funds, and partly towards provisions for first aid posts in the Colony.

Mah-jongg and bridge will be open to non-dancers, and a number of jade ornaments, donated to the H.K. Chinese Women's Club by local residents, will be distributed.

Floor shows of considerable variety are to be staged, the artists including Miss Cheng Pk-ying, Miss Chan Shuet-ying, Mrs. Elsie Soong and the Misses Soong, Miss Rosita Wai, Miss Colleen Ng Quinn, Mrs. Percy Chen, Miss Gloria Yee, Miss Doris Loucy, Miss Mimi Ung, Miss Emily Ko, Miss Frances Lee, Miss Lucy Chan, Miss Constance Ng Quinn, Miss Judy Tam, Miss Doreen Weir, Miss Kong Tuk-chee, Mrs. Bessie Ko, Miss Doreen Ma, Mr. Herbert Tong, Mr. George Chow, Mr. Tommy Lee, Mr. Teddy Yip and Mr. Gilchrist.

Mrs. Violet Chan is chairman of the committee.

COLOURFUL
WEDDING

A colourful Chinese wedding took place at St. Margaret's Church yesterday, when Miss Kathryn Ma, of No. 180, Taiipo Road, became the bride of Mr. Johnston Wong, of No. 4, Leighton Hill Road.

Rev. Father R. W. Gallagher conducted the ceremony.

The bridegroom is the local representative of the Columbia Film Company, and a member of the Craggengower Cricket Club.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Ma Sum-yuen.

Miss Ma was attended by her two sisters, the Misses Jean and Bella Ma, as bridesmaids.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Gloucester Hotel.

MINE FOUND
LOOSE IN
LOCAL WATERS

A mine floating between Shaplong and Tai Wu Chau Island, was found and removed by the naval authorities on Friday.

HOUSE-BOY
FORGERY
DECEIVES
BANK

A house-boy employed by Mr. Lewis A. Benn, of No. 1, Babbington Path, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards yesterday, with obtaining money by forged cheques from the Chartered Bank, on July 23 and on Friday.

The accused Wong Sing, 30, had been employed by Mr. Benn for fourteen months.

Defendant cashed a cheque for a sum of \$205 at the Chartered Bank on July 23. On Friday, at about 3.30 p.m. defendant tried to cash a cheque for \$550. This time, the cashier suspected him. The cheque signature was tested and found to be a forgery.

Defendant admitted that he succeeded with a forgery in July.

Sentence of eight months' hard labour was imposed.

Detective Sergeant J. Wall conducted the prosecution.

ST. PAUL'S BAZAAR

A successful bazaar was held yesterday at St. Paul's Boys' College by the Hong Kong Combined Chinese Protestant Churches.

The function was in aid of the Hong Kong Diocese Fund.

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Jungle Kitten

SO many people have told June West and Kay that they look like Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire that they are beginning to get more than a little tired of it. The movie team is all right, they haven't to say, but they add ruefully, they would much rather be applauded for their own efforts, than be repeatedly mistaken for someone else. Miss West's blonde halo of hair and trim figure have also been mistaken for those of Anita Page. At one Eastern port persons on the dock were sure that Miss Page—who was rumoured to be on tour somewhere in the vicinity—had jumped ahead of her schedule and was waving a handkerchief on the top deck of an incoming liner when all the time, it was June West, who was actually gesturing to no one in particular.

For their first Hong Kong engagement, they are showing patrons of the Hong Kong Hotel what Youth, even in war-time, can do. Their more appearance is theatrical: Miss West looks sleek as a jungle kitten, Kay is slim, suave, as a Broadway playboy. They whirl and they tap and they glide, to fast rhythm and to slow, and the customers ask for more. Miss West clothes herself in flowing filmy frocks; Kay by contrast sticks to the austere simplicity of black-and-white dress suits.

ALTHOUGH they are comparative newcomers to audiences in the East, they have a well-grounded experience in the arts of their craft. Miss West, a Londoner, had warily not made her schoolbooks

when she began to dance. When she entered the chorus of a London show, she painfully learned that dancing isn't as easy as it looks. Several years later, she was a member of a small travelling company that folded up when several thousand miles from home and Piccadilly Square. In Bombay she met Kay, who was one of the "Manhattan Trio," and they decided to team up.

KAY, from Hungary, was also seeing the world through the windows of hotels' dance-rooms. At the famed Arizona cabaret in Budapest, he was at one time an instructor in dancing, and could play almost any instrument that the orchestra possessed.

They have been touring the Orient and have been hailed everywhere. But life these days for a dancer is tough, they don't mind pointing out. The war has diverted people's attentions from the lighter pleasures; conflict in Europe prevents men and women all over the world from wholeheartedly joining in the night-life fun. And from a monetary point of view, the war has increased the cost of living not only for the members of their audiences, but also for themselves. That rates are up 33 per cent and more in some cases, and the rate of exchange in a few countries is not exactly pleasant to contemplate. Their business, like many another, has suffered a slump that's been heard 'round the world.

EACH morning, contrary to the late-rising habits of most of their colleagues, they practise two

full hours, not because they particularly enjoy getting up early and working, but because "We must! It's as simple as that: we must keep our muscles limbered, make our steps sure and certain, our numbers run off with the precision of a Swiss clock." In daylight they look younger and a great deal more human than their publicity photographs might indicate. Miss West does most of the talking during interviews; Kay struggles when he tries to convey his thoughts in English.

HONG KONG is very, very nice, they agree, especially, as Kay says, its climate. For more months than they care to think about, they have been enduring the torture of dancing in "humidly." Result, after many a dance, exhausted and bathed in perspiration, they could not exactly be described as comfortable, and they are immensely relieved to find a crisp air in the Colony. Audiences along their route, even including Manila, have proved rather stiff and unbending, unlike those they have played to in Hong Kong. Here, they remark, the people seem to relax and enter into the fun.

WITH some of their dances, they mix a musical instrument sequence. June West plays the clarinet, and Kay a trumpet. The combination works very well. "We may go to Shanghai," Miss West said, "not necessarily for an engagement, but because we want to see it and also because we want to buy material for costumes. We've both heard a great deal about Shanghai—you know, its glamour, its danger, and the people who live in it. After that, we'll probably go back to India."

KAY and Miss West want to journey back to England and the Continent, but are to wait for the war to end. Miss West's mother wrote to her, asking her to remain in the East, where, at least, there are neither submarine attacks nor air raids. They like the life they lead: travelling is fun, seeing different sights and cities and peoples is interesting, some of their experiences are amusing, but they sometimes glance back wistfully at home and the familiar things.

TAP-dancing is their favourite, and Kay would be described by an American jitterbug as a "swing-cat." He could listen to Benny Goodman by the hour—maybe because both his and Goodman's favourite instrument is the clarinet. However, Kay is a moderate swinger, who confines himself to listening, enjoying, and playing, and has never yet been known to work himself into a frenzy over a "killer-diller." Swing-fans, he thinks, should exercise more restraint; their exuberance has given that type of music a bad name for many conservative people, who would rather see swing confined to the motion of a golf-club.

Recital
MUSIC-LOVERS turned out in full force on Thursday to fill the quietly-elegant Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel, where Nura

Kanis was seated behind the keyboard of a piano and Ettore Pellegatti strode in to take his place by her side with a cello. Nura Kanis and Pellegatti have been acquainted for more than three

NURA Kanis best likes to play and to listen to works of first, Beethoven, then, Schumann. Pressed for her reasons for giving preference to Beethoven, she countered, "You don't have to give rea-

sons—just listen to any of his compositions, and you'll know." The Russian composer, headed by Tchaikovsky, stir her tremendously. "Their melodies, themes, and the sentiments they set forth greatly appeal to me. There is a definite rapport between them and myself."

SIGNOR Pellegatti was born in sunny Ferrara, Italy. He first wanted to play the violin, and overruling his father's objections, trudged off to a school when he was 10. All of the violin classes in the school were full, the headmaster informed him, and he would have to wait a year, unless he wished to take up a related instrument, the cello, in which class there happened to be a vacancy. Pellegatti agreed; music

Pellegatti, acknowledging the masterfulness of Beethoven, sets David Popper in the van as his favourite. "Anyone can tell that," he remarked, "by glancing at the programme of any of my recitals." On Thursday night he played selections by Popper, including the Concerto in E Minor for cello and piano.

"A great many people in the Colony like music," in the opinion of Nura Kanis, who believes they



JUNE WEST AND KAY.

was music, and if he happened to start with one instrument, he would soon get round to the violin.

HE attended various schools, studied under Frescobaldi and Professor E. Rizzi, the latter a former pupil of the famed cello master, Scarlatti. From a rather haphazard introduction, the cello soon came to be his best-loved instrument. Then, wanting to see something of the world outside Italy, he came East.

HE played in various orchestras, quartettes and trios, and settled in Java for six years as a featured radio musician. Returning to Italy, he toured the country, playing the cello in an opera orchestra. Today, he has a School of Music in Nathan Road.

should be provided with more opportunity to hear it. Much more attention is now being paid to this cultural need of the community than ever before. She sees in this a hopeful sign of the possible emergence of Hong Kong as a musical centre.

Music, of course, is the most transitory of the arts. In painting, one can stand before a picture, and view it for as long as one wishes. In literature, one can read and reread, the passages of most appeal. The effect lasts for some time. But in music, the effect flows rapidly, a passage comes, is heard, and passes in an instant. Thus, audience attention must be acute, concentration is undeniably and absolutely necessary. Both Nura Kanis and Pellegatti are kept very busy with teaching and other things, so that their public performances are relatively few. But they like to play, and they promise more recitals in the future.



A group of artists who will take part in the Chinese Fairies Dance at the Peninsula Hotel next Thursday at the charity supper Club.

pular favour, is that constant and daily practice is required to keep the fingers in shape. They have to be kept toughened up, as even a week's abstinence is enough to cause blisters to form. The harp is played by plucking the strings, and there are seven pedals, which give the sharps, naturals and flats. One of the basic differences between the harp and the piano, of course, is that whereas on the latter instrument C-sharp and D-flat, for instance, are the same note, this is not so on the harp. The combination of the harp and the piano, with the former's sustained, sonorous tones, gives a wonderfully pleasing effect.

MISS Burford also envies the pianist in that he has to neither re-string or re-tune his instrument. She herself has to restring her harp periodically, and tuning it takes at least an hour before both rehearsals and performances alike. Miss Burford studied at Paris under some of the world's few remaining masters of the harp. She also has the distinction of having played with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, under Leopold Stokowski, and with other world-famous symphony orchestras.

SHE, too, has a wonderful zest for life and one of her lifelong memories will be the typhoon they ran into while nearing Manila.

She had gone down to her cabin to rest but as she looked out of the cabin porthole, she was entranced by the peculiar stillness in the atmosphere and the gruesomeness of things. There came a shrill whistling of the wind, and she hurried up to the shelter deck, where for some time she clung to the rail as the ship started to plunge and roll in the storm. The ship seemed to be alive and protesting. One sudden, awful crash sent everyone flying, and for a horrible moment she thought their last moment had come! But the ship continued to plough the waves and they all went back to the saloon to enjoy themselves despite the furniture, which every now and then careered all over the place.

No, No, Nanette

THOSE who wish to support the British War Organization Fund to be an Unofficial Member of the can find a very pleasant way of Legislative Council, in succession to doing so by getting tickets for Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, C.B.E., with "No No Nanette" at the Queen's effect from 3rd December, 1939.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased, under instructions from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, to appoint Mr. Henry Robert Butters to act as Financial Secretary, with effect from the 6th December, 1939. Mr. Butters is also to be a Director of the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions, vice Mr. Sydney Caine.

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LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

Did you know that there is a fine collection of Jaeger slacks in the Ladies Salon of CANE, CRAW, FOLDERS. Well, there is, as you have only to go to the extensive floor in question. Here, in well appointed sitting rooms (or didn't you know that as well?), surrounded by mirrors and perfect lighting, you can really get a good idea of how well you look in these slacks. The assortment gives you the choice of navy, grey and brown; knitted ones in the first two colours, and flannels in the third. To our mind there is nothing worse than ill-fitting garments of this sort, and the first thing that struck us about these slacks is their trimness expressed in the snug and easy fit, the slacks creases down the legs, and the neat zip closing which hardly makes itself apparent. To wear with them, Sally turns out a smart knitted jacket, which this firm also stocks. You can have them in navy and white, red and white and brown and white mixtures.



MRS. WILLY'S have done very handsomely by the ladies again, ordering a special consignment of good-looking afternoon and evening frocks to take care of those many dates you will be keeping around Christmas and New Year time. And this new group of dresses have plenty of style, believe you me, with glittering accents to stamp them with this year's brand of fashion chic-chic. Two Burgundy crepes receive our special mention, not only because this colour is one we love, but because the first has a pocket and belt, and the second a diagonal line from neck to hem. The other is given a cowl neck and shirred sleeves, and a heavy gold chain strung with hearts and bells. And if you love unusual necklines, look for one all hung with leaves and giant pearls in a green-blue crepe with laced-up waistline. Space does not permit of further description, but what's to prevent you from calling at Room 103, Bank of East Asia Building? This shop is open from 9 to 6 p.m., and that also includes Uffin hours.

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AT one time, every young lady learned to play the harp, and several well-known composers wrote special music for the instrument. To-day, practically no music is written for the harp and the young ladies are turning their attention to the piano, the saxophone and jazz. All of which makes it somewhat awkward for the professional harpist, says Miss Burford—or "Beecy," as her friends soon call her. On her passport, her profession is given as "musician," and she has still not gotten over the strange, somewhat pained look people give her when, in reply to their question, she says she plays the harp. When she visited the local Registration Office, the worthy behind the counter, in a friendly manner, asked her the inevitable question, "Do you have to know?" she asked, plaintively. Oh no, he said, she could keep it a secret if she wanted to! She breathed more freely.

THE difficulty about the harp, and possibly one of the reasons why it has fallen from po-

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WILL SHE ACT?

Japan's recent advance into China, by way of Pak-hoi up to Nanning the capital of the Province of Kwangsi, brings once more into prominence the situation in the Far East.

Japan after a period of comparative quiet has again started on her career of conquest in China. She was halted recently before Chang-shin, capital of Hunan, owing to a severe defeat at the hands of the Chinese army leader Marshal Pei Chung-hai and now she seeks to reestablish her damaged prestige by this fresh advance in the South.

General Abe, the Premier, has recently announced that the campaign in China may last for many years yet, that is, until the new order in Asia has been established in accordance with the ideas of the Japanese authorities.

It looks as though Japan then has decided that the complete subjugation of China, which means the destruction of Chiang Kai-shek's armies, is now the real object of the present war.

Japan's Chance

The conflict in Europe affords an excellent opportunity for Japan to strengthen her grip on China since there is only one country who can stand in her way and up till now she has shown considerable reluctance to do so. Will the United States, however, continue to stand by and see her financial and cultural influences in China obliterated or will she finally decide to call a halt to this process of destroying China as an independent country.

The recent speech of the American Ambassador in Tokyo does not suggest such acquiescence nor does the denunciation of the Trade Pact which expired in January. Then there was the emphatic statement of Secretary Welles that negotiations with Japan were not taking place, the tone of the denial suggesting that such negotiations would never take place so long as the violation of American rights continued. In other words, it is quite clear as the Ambassador pointed out that American patience was reaching its limit and that drastic action was not far off.

Will She Act?

Is there any reason to suppose that the United States will act in the Far East seeing that she is so clearly against participation in the war in the West? The peace or isolationist group in America is undoubtedly strong and certainly strong enough to keep the nation out of the European war.

That is not a very difficult matter since it is so easy to point to the last war and say that America got

little thanks for the services she rendered with her armies although their support was given at the most critical time and proved the turning point in that war.

Then, of course, there is the question of the debts which have never been paid.

Moreover, America fought the last war to end war, and the present war proves the futility of such an effort since Europe is incapable of settling her problems amicably and nothing that the United States can do can alter that fact. There can, therefore, be no sort of justification for America to give anything more than sympathy to the Allied cause.

Business Attitude

That is the business common sense attitude of the United States, but the very fact that it is so often proclaimed suggests an uneasy conscience, and, moreover, it is not the business common sense point of view that controls policy in every case.

The people of the United States know perfectly well that the war in Europe is being fought by Britain for a cause that she herself strongly upholds. She knows that the world is one world now and does not consist of a new and an old world. She knows that the vast majority of American critics denounced the sacrifice of Czechoslovakia in 1938, and felt that Britain and France had let down the cause of freedom, when they counselled Czechoslovakia to surrender.

The English visitor to the United States often felt distinctly uncomfortable last year under the fire of this kind of criticism. Even when it was not expressed one felt it was in the air. This was partly because the visitor himself felt guilty and conscious of his country's default. It was, however, clear proof that these Americans, who expressed themselves in this fashion, identified themselves with the British and as they had to support the same cause of freedom in America, it was right and proper they thought that Britain should play her traditional role of defending the liberties of small nations in Europe no matter what the cost might be. The United States derives its principles of life not from the German immigrants but from the English Pilgrim Fathers, who crossed the Atlantic to assert their political and religious freedom, which for the time being were suppressed in England.

Not Convinced

If this cause then failed in Europe, it would be due to the stronger force under totalitarianism against which the struggle is being waged. Liberty cannot suffer an eclipse in one part of the world without violent repercussions in other parts. It was

the destruction of Czechoslovakia in March 1939 that really precipitated this war since it was clear from that point that no state was safe.

America as a whole shares these views, but is not convinced that she cannot retain her freedom even if every other state loses hers. The view of Col. Lindbergh is that America would be in danger of losing her liberty if she took part in a war to defend the democratic principle in Europe. Col. Lindbergh has been out of favour in America since he shook the dust of his country from his feet after the kidnapping and murder of his son, when he went to England and later made a tour of Russia and of Germany, where he received a warm reception, but he is now back and taking a leading part in keeping his country out of the war.

On the balance it is probable that the United States will not take part

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in the present war, but there will be much heart searching nevertheless.

America has too long played a part in international politics which is disproportionate to her strength and to her responsibility in the world. Preoccupied with domestic matters, she leaves the study of international problems to the academic world, and to her executive who are very far in advance of public opinion in this matter. But this sense of security and self-sufficiency causes a reaction. Can a nation enjoy all the good things of life and ignore the claims upon its aid? Obviously no thinking nation can dwell at peace in a world where stories of pain and misery, of death and destruction assail its ears over every moment of the day.

Radio's Pull

The Radio makes the world one and no one can avoid being interested in the sorrows of others.

But because the United States is growing conscious of its responsibility as a wealthy and powerful nation, she will not play a subordinate part in European affairs, when she can take a leading part in Far Eastern problems.

It is in this direction that the higher ideals of the United States will find expression.

The totalitarian States are bent on destroying the weaker and smaller states. Many states have fallen to Japan, Abyssinia and Albania to Italy, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland to Germany, Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia to Russia and Finland now appears to be the next victim. China another democratic power is writhing under the agony inflicted upon her by the Japanese planes, tanks and machine guns. An orgy of destruction has been let loose and these smaller powers have been strangled.

It has been and still is the duty, privilege and responsibility of those who enjoy liberty to see to it that it is maintained even in the smallest states. America cannot escape that responsibility and there is a growing recognition of that fact.

A nation has a soul as well as a body, spiritual ideals as well as economic, and her real strength finally depends on the willingness to see that those ideals are maintained. There certainly would be no hesitation to defend the causes of liberty were it challenged in the United States, but it may be found on examination that there will be no need to do this, if war is undertaken against those who threaten others now and one's own nation later.

Protege of U. S.

China is in a special sense a protege of the United States. She is the youngest republic though the oldest nation, while America is the oldest republic and one of the youngest nations. The United States has sponsored China's development in the field of education. Evidence of her generosity is found in every part of China in Peking, Shanghai, Nanking, Changsha, Foochow and Canton, where universities and medical schools have been established through American enterprise and good will. Apart from these, however, there are the hundreds of primary and secondary schools organized by the various religious bodies in the United States, while thousands of returned students are indebted to the United States for their higher education in American Universities.

America's contribution to China culture is impressive.

A great deal of American sentiment especially hatred of the aggressors is already seeking expression and will undoubtedly increase in intensity. America cannot indefinitely sit back and enjoy the benefits of security while others like China are being slowly tortured and destroyed.

War breeds war and the belief that the higher ideal is to make sacrifice and not enjoy ease will in the end move America to action.

Liberalism At Stake

It is not so much American economic interests that are being destroyed

in China, it is that liberal spirit which prevails in China and which to a large extent is due to American cultural contacts. Many persons in the United States are deeply disturbed in mind; Walter Lippman has pointed out, because the role of isolation which she seeks to adopt is not in keeping with her best thought and highest sentiments. There is a deep conflict raging in the minds of thoughtful American citizens today as ever existed in the minds of British and French people in September last year, when the Munich Pact was signed. America will not be moved by external appeals for assistance but by the promptings of her own conscience. There lies before her a hard choice—on the one side material prosperity, comfort and peace within her borders together with an uneasy mind, and on the other side heroic self-sacrifice, and risk in war, in order to assert the higher spiritual principles of freedom and justice. China may not be entirely free from blame, but certainly Japan is not free from guilt.

It would be a terrible indictment if China was conquered, and destroyed as an independent nation and if she attributed her defeat even partly to the material assistance which certain merchants in the United States had rendered to Japan in order to enrich themselves, as Dr. Robert Brown, an American medical missionary, has declared is the case.

Clear Call To Duty

The American nation because of former entanglements and unpleasant memories in Europe, where instead of being thanked for her generous services was blamed for not rendering them earlier, must now turn to that part of the world where she has a clear call to duty.

To her has fallen the task of preserving the Pacific as a free highway of commerce for all nations, and China as a free and independent country in which the foreigner has still the right to trade.

The weapons that America has at her disposal to secure this object are powerful, for not only has she the upperhand economically, but also ample air and naval power, while on the other hand, there is a Japan exhausted by a struggle which has already lasted two and a half years and the end of which is not yet in sight.

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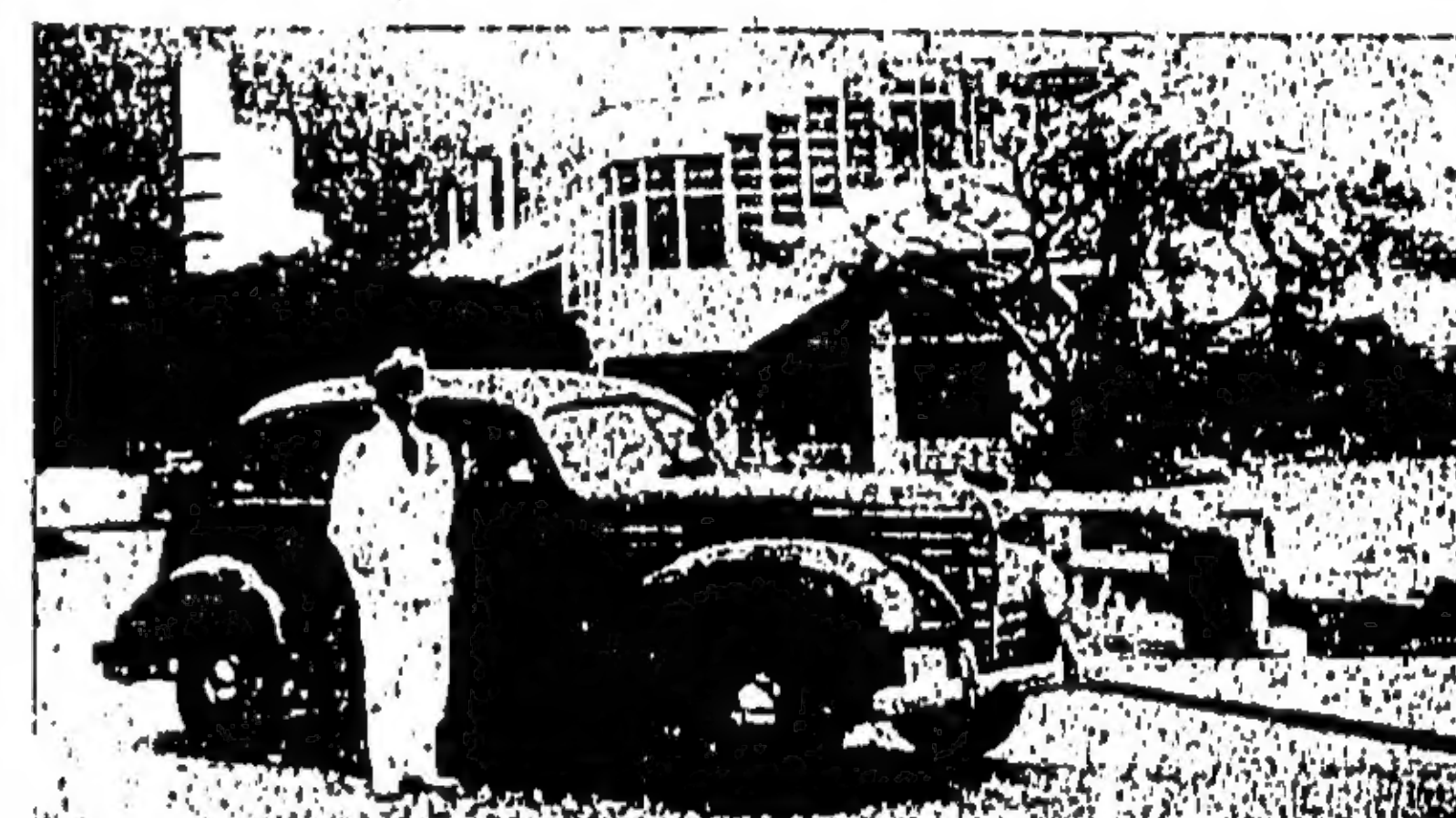
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And the result justified his decision.

Taking Her Hospital

Mrs. E. L. Spears, otherwise Miss Mary Borden, the novelist, is leaving shortly for France. She is taking out her own hospital unit, which is to be attached to the Forces.

Mrs. Spears is already proficient in the organisation of war hospitals. She ran one in France during the last war.

It was thus that she met and married Brig-general Spears, who was then serving as liaison officer in Paris.

General Spears's new book of the war in 1917 has just appeared at an auspicious moment. Its timeliness, however, is accidental.

Unlike so many high-speed modern writers, he had been working on it for seven years.

For Britain

There were some applicants for British citizenship who retracted on the outbreak of war and decided to cling to their own neutral country.

There are other young men, of American birth, who have shown their strong affection for England by joining our forces. Mr. Whitney Straight and Mr. William Fiske are among them.

Both are skilled pilots and both are in the Royal Air Force.

Naturalised

Mr. Whitney Straight has developed considerable airway interests in England and he became a naturalised British subject three years ago.

Mr. Fiske, a banker and a record-breaking rider on the Cresta at St.

Moritz, came over from America by the first boat when war broke out.

Red Line-Up

War is the great social leveller. The Duke and the dustman meet in the communal air-raid shelter.

But in this respect the policy of the Soviet seems to differ unexpectedly from that of other and less democratic nations.

The Spanish Embassy in London have built an air-raid shelter which the Ambassador, the Duke of Alba, will share with his whole staff.

The Soviet Embassy have built an equally fine shelter. But it contains a number of separate compartments. In the event of an air raid M. Malsky and his secretaries will take refuge in one compartment while the household staff will take refuge in another.

New Ministry

Sir Samuel Hoare received some advice from journalists at last week's luncheon of the Foreign Press Association.

One buttonholed him and insisted that what the Government needed was a new ministry—the Ministry of Imagination. Sir Samuel, however, would not suggest a suitable candidate for such a post.

Later in the day at a reception at the Overseas League for the Dominions Secretary, Sir John Whitty, who received the guests, was preoccupied in conversation with one of them. When the next guest arrived he shook him by the hand and queried: "Your name, sir?"

"My name is Eden," was the modest reply.

It must have been Mr. Eden's first experience as a guest without honours.

Channel Rescue

Mr. Will Lawther, president of the Mineworkers' Federation, ended an arduous journey when he returned from an international conference at Brussels the other day.

With other trade union leaders he was held up for thirty hours at Ostend because of transport delay. And then the sense of perilous adventure was heightened when they were all

obliged to wear lifebelts in the Channel steamer.

One of their fellow passengers was the young wife of an English company official who had a six-month-old child with her.

For most of the journey the woman was unwell. And burly, middle-aged Mr. Lawther sat nursing her baby.

Patrons Of The Barrage

One of the balloons in the balloon barrage, known as the Archblimp, The Archbishop of Canterbury has now afforded it his recognition and patronage. He held a special service last Sunday in his private chapel at Lambeth for its keeper and for other members of the balloon barrage.

Officers in the barrage also attended an elegant party in Upper Grosvenor-street, where a Mayfair canteen is shortly to be opened for the men of all the Services. They will be able to eat and drink for threepence per head in an environment of gilt and crystal.

The Home Front

Mrs. Littlejohn-Cook, the originator of the scheme, received the guests in red velvet and silver fox.

Mrs. Anthony-Eden, in blue velvet and silver-fox, assisted her.

An ex-School Guards sergeant-major, with a parade-ground roar, announced a series of titled guests—lovely canopies of modern war seeking jobs as waitresses.

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Volunteer

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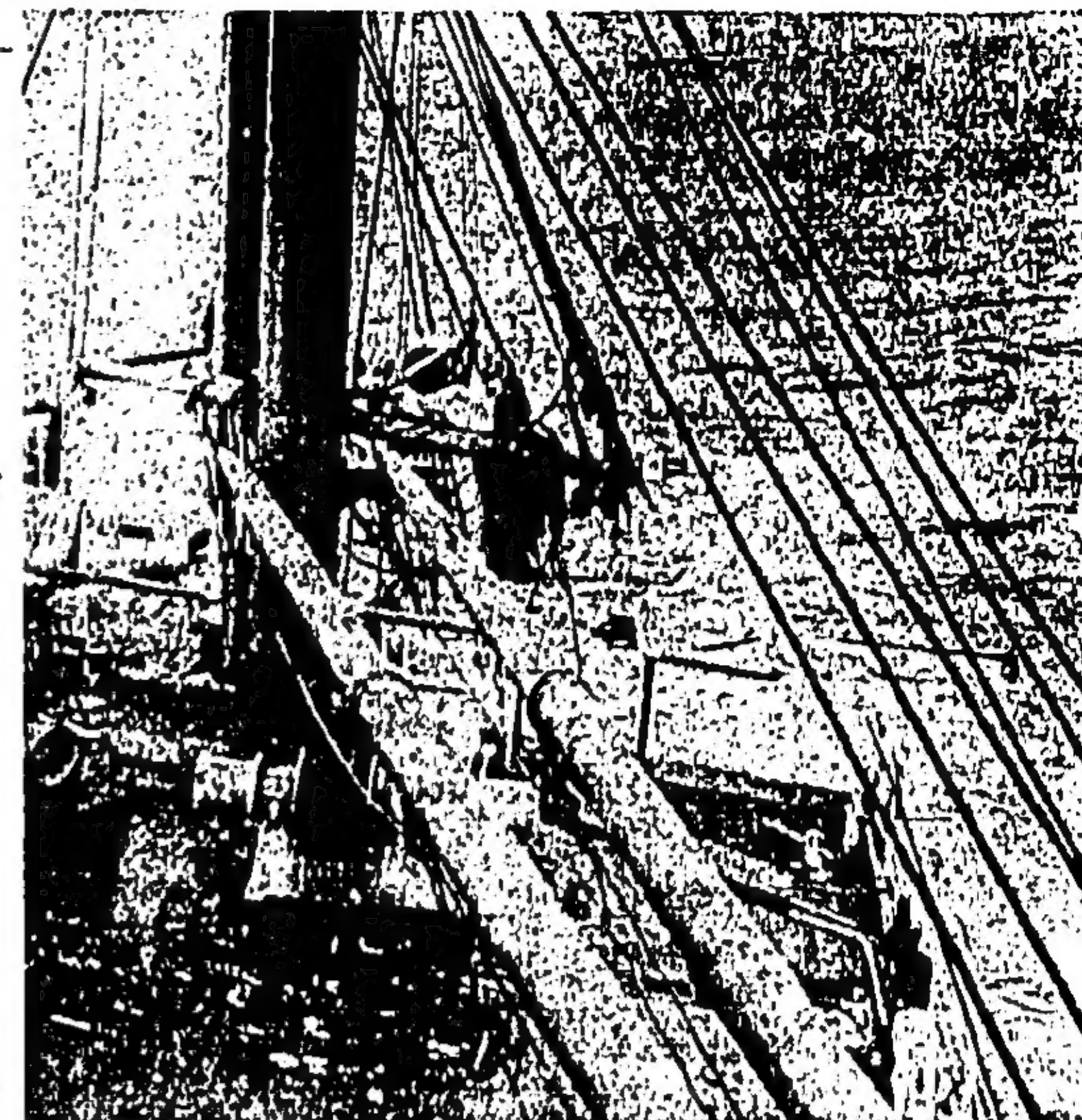
Britain still has a Duke of Marlborough. But this one is not a general. He has, indeed, like so many other volunteers, failed in all his efforts to get into uniform.

The Duke has offered his services in all directions, but so far the Army does not require them.

This time it is the Duchess of Marlborough who is the "general." She holds high rank, commanding countless women, in one of the women's services.

Standing nearly six feet high in her khaki uniform, she makes an imposing and soldier-like figure.

NEUTRAL VICTIMS OF MINES



This dramatic picture of the sinking of the crack Japanese liner Terukuni Maru—which sank after hitting a German mine off the East coast—was taken by the ship's cameraman K. Asami. He calmly stood by, photographing scenes until forced to leave the stricken vessel. Then from a lifeboat he completed his picture record of the disaster. The liner's bow was already under water when this picture was taken on the starboard side. Shattered wreckage can be seen floating away. (Copyright, Fox).



The Dutch liner Simon Bolivar struck a mine and sank in a few minutes off the East coast. Many of the survivors were brought to London. Photo shows in borrowed clothes, survivors of passengers and crew at a London hospital. (Copyright, Fox).



Survivors of the Terukuni Maru, were taken to a London hotel. They met survivors on the Dutch ship Simon Bolivar sunk earlier in similar circumstances. Photo shows the Captain and members of the crew of the Terukuni Maru taking breakfast in the hotel. (Copyright, Fox).

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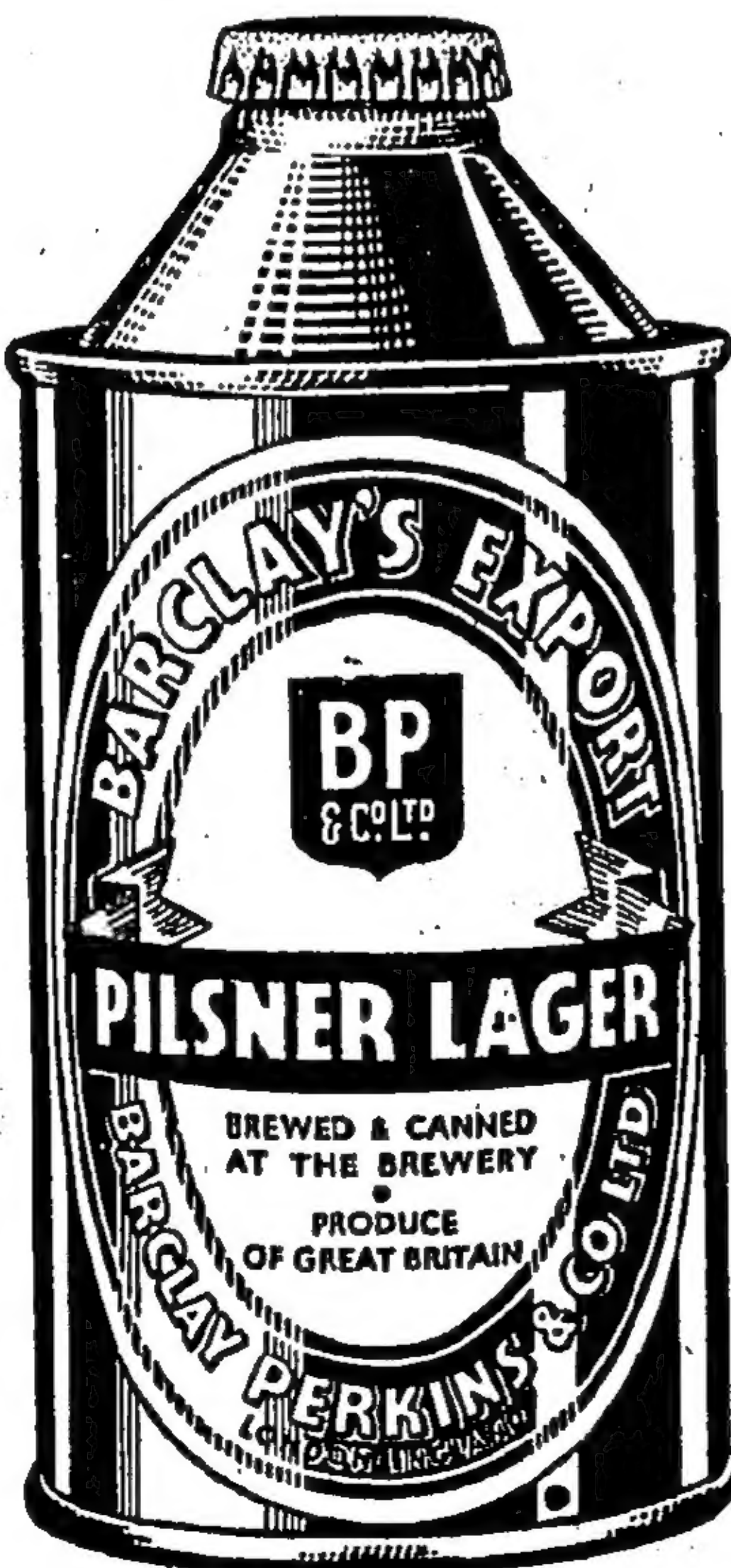
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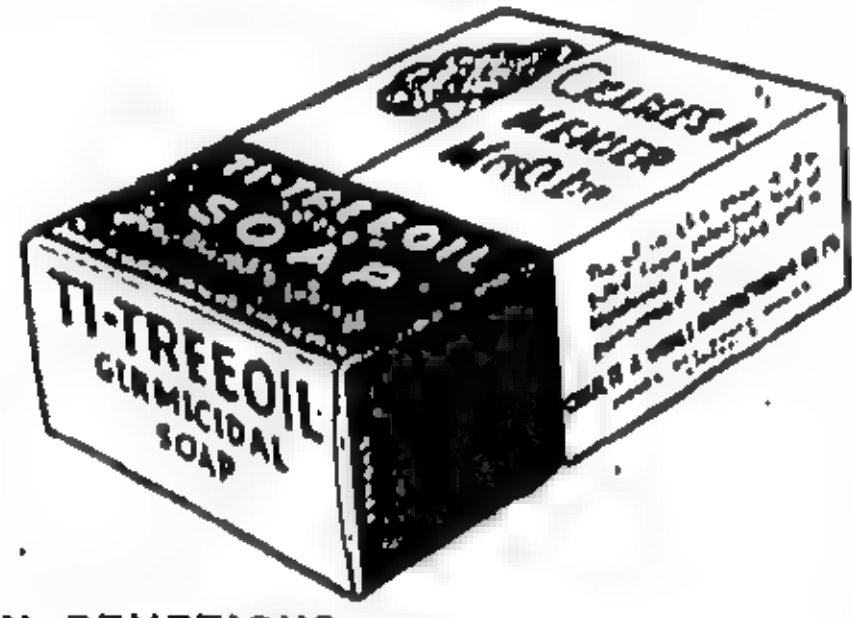
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When the body is healthy, it can afford to disregard a certain number of evil germs which may even fulfil a useful purpose.

But when the body is suffering from sickness or from wounds, the malignant germs multiply and attack wherever the defence is weakest, and the result may be destruction and death.

Ever since I adopted the thinkless and fatiguing profession of politics, I have conscientiously endeavoured to see the point of those whose views differed from mine and to sympathise with any good that could be found

in political creeds with which I could not agree. I have often paid tribute to the fidelity with which English Liberals cling to the theories of the nineteenth century which have long been exploded. I have recognised the impatience with social justice and economic inequality which have driven so many of my contemporaries to accept Socialism. I have even tried to find some justification for the appearance in Great Britain of Fascism and Communism. And since neither creed gives cause for alarm or seems likely to acquire any increasing number of recruits in Great Britain, one is able to consider them in a calm and scientific spirit which is not the case in less happy lands where they present a real menace.

Knock-out Blows In Britain

Freedom of speech and of political opinion are the most dearly treasured parts of the British inheritance, and it is only with the deepest reluctance that Britons can ever consent to any measure that would seem to interfere with these privileges. In peace time such measures would never be permitted, but in war time they become necessary, and although one may chafe under the censorship, nobody will seriously propose to do away with it during the course of hostilities.

In the homely atmosphere of the House of Commons, where political differences are never allowed to interfere with private friendships, one cannot think without repugnance of any of one's fellow members, either the three who represent the Independent Labour Party or the one who represents Communism, being either fugitives from justice or placed behind prison bars. Nor his acquittal would any of us wish to see the picture of Sir Oswald Mosley with gyres upon his wrists. People have never been afraid of Communism or Fascism in Great Britain, and feeble as both movements have always been, the present war has dealt a knockout blow to both. For the Fascists it has meant that the Nazis who had so long been the object of their admiration and imitation have become the national enemy. As Fascism is firmly founded upon nationalism of a rather narrow type, those who founded it in England ought to have realised, before it was too late, the dilemma in which they would find themselves if ever their country were to be at war in defence of principles which they had systematically denounced and derided.

Asked To Stand On His Head

Sad however, as is the plight of the British Fascist, that of the British Communist is still more deplorable. He has suddenly been asked to stand on his head. For years past the Communists in every country have been denouncing the Nazis as the most abominable of all the enemies of the human race. For years past the Communists in every country have been urging their governments to resist the encroachments of Germany and have been even suggesting that their governments must themselves be infected with the virus of Nazism because they did not take stronger measures against the Nazis, even though such measures might lead to war. Orders had been given for the Communists of all nations to support any left-wing movement that seemed likely to encourage the democratic countries to stiffen their resistance against a German aggression. The Communists of France had been told to give up singing "The Red Flag" and to substitute for it "The Marseillaise." The French Communists had obediently cleared their throats and changed their tune, and if they had any love for music they must have been grateful for the change. As late as September

5th, the American "Daily Worker"—the organ of Communism in the United States—was denouncing appeasement manoeuvres as a shameful encouragement for German Fascism viciously to invade Poland. Perhaps the message from Moscow had been delayed in transmission across the Atlantic, for in Europe the tune had already been changed once again and some of the singing-birds had already been clipped into cages.

The Communist Phenomenon

These extraordinary events compel one to reconsider the Communist phenomenon. In any country that respects free speech and free opinion, benefit of the doubt should be given to those who sincerely hold beliefs, even though they may seem to constitute a danger to the State. Those for instance who conscientiously object to the use of force are followed special privileges and exemptions, although if their numbers were to multiply beyond a certain limit it would mean the defeat of Great Britain and the destruction of the British Empire. Nevertheless, Britain allows such people not only to escape their duty to the State, but even to preach and to propagate their doctrines. The reason that she does so is because she is unwilling to make a man suffer for the sake of his conscience.

It is, however, no longer possible to respect Communists, or to believe that they have any conscience at all other than that which bids them to obey blind obedience to their leader. At the present time, that leader happens to be a foreigner who is known to be directly responsible for the death of millions, who has himself condemned to death, almost without exception, his own closest friends and associates, who has betrayed the British Government and who is now bound in closest friendship and alliance with the enemy.

The Teachings Of Karl Marx

The outmoded nineteenth century teachings of the voluminous and stodgy Karl Marx may still bring light and awake enthusiasm in the adolescent minds of the semi-educated. But what have the doctrines of Karl Marx to do with the gloomy tyrant of the Kremlin? It is possible to believe that an honest man accepts the teachings of "Das Kapital," but it is impossible to believe that an honest man can one day call down the wrath of the gods on Germany and the next day embrace Germany as the most desirable ally in Europe, can say that when Germany conquered Czechoslovakia she was a criminal and when she conquered Poland she was a saint. Yet this is precisely what Communists all the world over have been called upon to do. Some of them, to their credit, have revolted and left the party, the vast majority have bowed their heads and obeyed.

Now it is known that in most countries the number of communists has been insufficient to provide the funds required for the survival of the party, and the shortage has been made good by subsidies from the Soviets. Ill-natured people have often taunted the Communists with the fact that their activities, their literature and their existence depended upon the supply of foreign gold. But as the true conception of Communism is international, and as they were unable to support themselves in any other way, I never could see that they were greatly to be blamed if they accepted the assistance of those who shared their philosophy in the endeavour to spread that philosophy among their fellow countrymen. That excuse, however, held true only so long as it was possible to believe that there was a philosophy of which Communism was the ex-

pression and of which the Communist Party were the upholders.

The Agents Of Revolution

To-day, it is no longer possible to believe anything of the kind. Communism has ceased to be respectable since the Communists tamely accept the orders of a Dictator. It has long been known that the Communists accepted foreign money, but it has only recently been made manifest that, in return for that money, they had sold their souls. Those who once claimed to be the upholders of an economic philosophy have been proved to be nothing but members of a political gang. In whatever country they reside they are the agents of revolution, the hirelings of foreigners and the enemies of the State.

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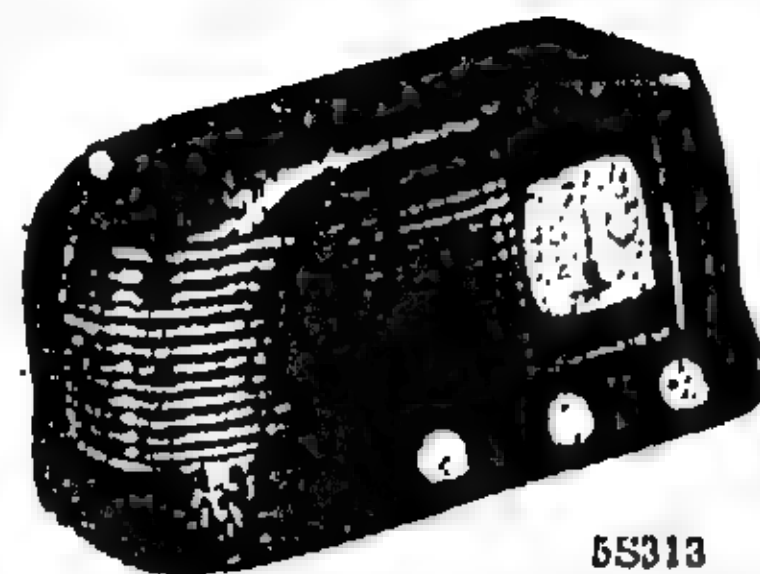
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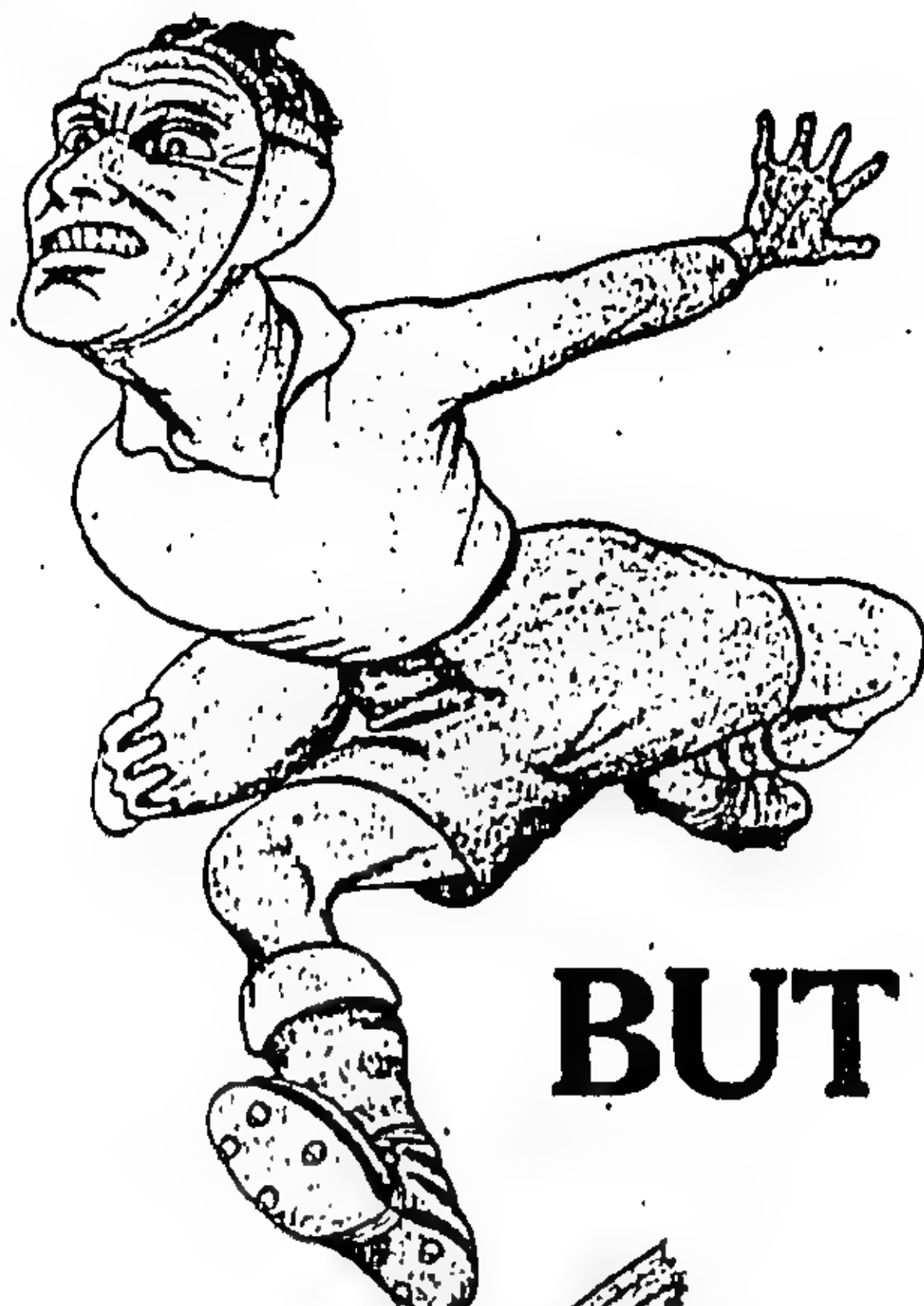
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HOUSING DISASTER

THERE is demand for a public inquiry into the fire catastrophe in Yaumati last Sunday evening, if only to bring home once again, and forcibly, the shocking living conditions of the poorer classes in this Colony, and the urgency of the problem of slum clearance.

Little else of importance is likely to be discovered. There is no criticism of the fire-fighting services. The death-roll in the house most completely gutted was 35, 16 are in hospital, and over 20 were rescued by the Fire Brigade and willing helpers, making a total of at least 71 persons residing in two single-room flats. How many escaped by the staircase before its collapse is not known.

It needs to be emphasised that this was no instance of an old building, rotted by age, contributing to the magnitude of the disaster. For their type, the premises were well preserved. The building was constructed in 1920, was equipped with internal fire escapes, going through from floor to floor. It was possible to climb over the verandah partition to the adjoining house.

Generalisations about the condition of the oldest slum properties in the Colony are, therefore, hardly applicable. What does need to be stressed is that, these days, it matters little whether buildings of the Chinese tenement type are old or new. In the event of an outbreak of fire, the inmates are equally at the mercy of social conditions. Similar catastrophes may occur at any time while there is such ghastly overcrowding and while desperate poverty maintains the wave of petty crime at its present calamitous level. It was fear of theft and the overcrowding, between them, in these Shanghai Street houses that put the fire escapes out of use. Occupants of the upper floors took measures to prevent access from below; lest there should be any doubt about it, those below prevented access from above. Thus the trap-doors in the gutted building, were found, after the fire, to be doubly barred, even had they not been complete concealed by bed spaces or a clutter of junk of one kind and another. To keep fire escapes clear would require a whole army of inspectors, and undoubtedly any action taken, would be defeated five minutes after their departure.

Failure to make use of the way of escape over the verandah partitions was, apparently, the result, partly, of panic and, partly, of the sad fact that the victims were largely women and children.

For a cure of any kind, it seems, in the face of existing conditions, that the Colony must wait until the Government is ready and able to finance large-scale slum clearance schemes, and, for that reason, it is gratifying to receive an official assurance that announcement of abandonment of town planning "for the duration" is premature. Until, however, it is possible to proceed, official attention might well be directed towards the provision of inter-communication in large tenement blocks on every floor-level, even against the tenants' wishes.

THIS WEEK

Finland maintains her gallant resistance, making the Russian aggressor pay dearly for every yard of territory occupied, but it were wiser not to be romantically carried away by tales of heroism in a terribly unequal contest. The realities of the situation were more soundly pictured in the dramatic appeal of Finland's Prime Minister for the world's aid. Sympathy for Finland has gained in abundance, as he pointed out, but more than sympathy is demanded if a nation of Finland's size is long to hold out against the vast numerical superiority of the Red Army.

Material Aid

Happily, towards the end of the week signs that material aid would be forthcoming were not lacking. Italy flew a number of her most modern fighting planes to Helsinki, and, report has it, authorised the pilots, veterans of air battles in Spain, to continue to man them. Britain made it clear that she proposed to supply the stricken Finns with all the war material that can be got through, and Sweden performed a signal service by mining Swedish territorial waters between the north-east coast and the Åland Islands, effectively closing the Gulf of Bothnia to the Soviet Baltic Fleet. Covering sea communication between Sweden and Finland, this step may well prove decisive in the struggle which lies before, as long as Finland can stem the Soviet drive which seeks to cut the country in two at its narrowest point.

Italy's Marked Interest

Condemnation of Russia's contemptible attack is well-nigh universal, for even Germany likes it not, though she may not say so. It remains a matter for comment, nevertheless, that there has been so much excitement in Italy, which has no reason for special interest in the affairs of Europe's extreme north. In fact, it was necessary to place guards on the Soviet Embassy against Italian demonstrators, while the provision of several squadrons of fighting planes was not only direct help, but especially distinguished by its promptitude.

Balkan Threat

Explanation was, perhaps, forthcoming when the organ of the Comintern exposed the ambitions of the Kremlin in the Balkans. The Soviet Government has repudiated its responsibility for the article, which called for a mutual assistance pact between Rumania and Russia, the modern-day cupem-

ism for surrender of independence, and warned Turkey against interference in the development of Bolshevik policy in the Balkans. Rome will, doubtless, take note of the Kremlin's denial, while continuing to discourage any inclination which might exist to practice what was preached by the "Communist International." Britain, too, has studied the problem of the attack on Finland with an eye to keeping the Red Army so busy in the north as to relieve Balkan anxieties. It is not too far-fetched to suggest that Rome and London see the present situation from much the same angle.

Non-Belligerency The Word

Lest there should be any misunderstanding of Italy's position, there came from the Grand Fascist Council a most interesting communique. Italy's neutrality here appeared in a new form, a policy of non-belligerency, which is a distinction with a marked difference. And the reminder of past relations between Italy and Germany, defined as having undergone no change, may be taken, in conjunction with the announcement of Italy's direct interest in any political developments affecting the Balkan or Danubian States, as a guide to Berlin as well as to Moscow.

League And Sanctions

Equally interesting was the sudden discovery of value in the League of Nations. Finland's direct appeal to Geneva furnished an opportunity for the Scandinavian countries to divert their own immediate problems to the Council Chamber, revealing a caution hardly to be condemned. Britain and France discovered in the League an indirect means of expressing their stand concerning the Soviet's recent activities which it is diplomatically undesirable and inexpedient to express in more direct form. There is talk of sanctions against the aggressor, a step encouraged by the fact that the United States has already moved in this direction.

For Children Only

Germany, still wanting to have her cake and eat it too, threatens a new peace offensive, using the Soviet campaign of self-aggrandizement as temptation. The idea seems to be that treatment of the Nazi peril should be deferred until the

Red evil is obliterated, and Herr Hitler has had opportunity of recovering his confidence. The trick is so transparent that only a German brought up in the Nazi tradition could imagine there to be a hope of getting away with it.

Two-Way Blockade

The two-way blockade Order-in-Council continues to meet with challenge. The United States has now addressed a Note to Britain couched in terms stronger than were expected, while hinting that as American shipping is debarred from trade in war areas, the question might well be left until a test incident arises. Germany fights back by more threats to neutrals, warning them that failure to resist the Allied blockade will be regarded as a breach of neutrality. Neutrality, Holland enquires what German herself is doing in the direction of resistance and quotes international law as authority for the stand that there is no obligation upon a neutral to resist such.

Japan's Hostility

Japan's vigorous hostility, judged by her spokesmen, remains undiminished. It was not astonishing, therefore, that Chungking should take exception, on the basis of an unauthorized report that special concessions were to be made to Japan regarding her supply of war materials. The exceptions to operation of the Order-in-Council are clearly defined in the Order itself, and nothing the British Government has said or done indicates any intention of departing from its terms. Doubtless a test case will arise with Japan, probably sooner than with the United States. It will be time enough then to speculate.

Bitter Bit?

Plans for establishment of a puppet central government in Nanking under Wang Ching-wei appear to have run into further obstacles. A connection between the hitch and Wang's recent declaration of China's rights is not difficult to imagine. Some of his aides are now in Tokyo, for the purpose of thrashing out the points at issue, but there a new political crisis threatens. The margin is large between what the Army insists is necessary for its future programmes and the allotment which the Finance Committee submits as the maximum the country can afford to pay. The Army won't easily be pulled from the high horse.

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Battle Of Ideas: By C. E. M. Joad

PROGRESS?

It is nearly 100 years ago since Thomas Babington Macaulay was hailing his age as "the most enlightened generation of the most enlightened people that has ever existed."

Other Victorians did not fall far behind in self-congratulation. Now let us take a typical pronouncement from our own time. I select one from a speech by Mr. Eden: "Unless something can be done, the people of this world, in the latter part of this century, are going to live as troglodytes and go back to the days of cave dwelling."

We have, it is clear, travelled a long way from the optimism of the Victorians. The Victorians seem to have believed in an automatic law governing the affairs of men, according to which each generation would rise upon the shoulders of its predecessor to greater and even greater heights of wisdom, virtue, intelligence, culture, comfort and prosperity—always, of course, if it did its duty.

If I may put it impudently, the Victorians thought that progress consisted in all mankind becoming more and more like the Victorians, and more so, if possible. We, on the other hand, regard the future with foreboding, and are so far from anticipating a millennium that we shall be grateful if we escape destruction. Even as late as 1910-1914, when I was growing up, an enthusiastic Socialist like most of my kind, men were looking hopefully forward to the building of a new world. Now it often seems as if we were trying desperately to salvage what remains of the old.

It is interesting to inquire into the reasons for this change of outlook. There were, broadly speaking, two grounds for the optimism of the Victorians. The first was the discovery of evolution; the second, the Industrial Revolution, resulting in man's conquest of matter. Darwin has shown, or at least was thought to have shown, that the process of life's evolution upon this planet had been continuous from its earliest beginnings in the amoeba and the jellyfish right up to its most highly developed forms. We were its most highly developed form; therefore, the process of develop-

ment from the amoeba to ourselves was continuous and unbroken.

EVOLUTION

Man was a later, the amoeba an earlier, stage, "Not only later," added the Victorians, "but higher; and, if higher, then the process which leads from the amoeba to man must also be a progress." The appropriate comment has been made by Bertrand Russell. Whether, he has observed, the amoeba would agree with this opinion is not known; and until we are in a position to obtain its views it would be the part of modesty to suspend judgment.

For in this matter, as in so many others, we are both judge and jury in our own cause. It is we who assert progress, and it is to ourselves that we award the palm; inevitably, since having written all the books, we have heard only one side of the case.

It is, however, difficult to avoid the reflection that a self-respecting monkey, enjoying a televised view of events taking place in Western Europe between 1914 and 1918, in Abyssinia in 1935, in Spain in 1937, or in China in 1938, might be tempted to wonder whether a species whose members devoted so much energy and effort to elaborately and painfully destroying one another really had progressed to the extent claimed.

Man, he might reflect, is the only one of the animals who kills not because he is hungry, but for liberty, or justice, or right, or self-interest, or for the sheer fun of the thing.

It is, I suppose, the memory of events in Europe from 1914 to 1918, the spectacle of events in Europe and Asia in 1939, and the prospect of similar events in the future, which has led us to doubt whether we are, after all, as the Victorians supposed, the highest of God's creatures.

Suppose, for example, that man was just the last and the cleverest of the great apes, the ape who was clever enough to conquer the world, but not clever enough to control his own desires.

But there is a further reflection which has made us sceptical of the existence of an unalterable law of progress as applied to life. Let us look for a moment at the evolution-

ary time scale. There has been life of some sort upon this planet for about 1,200 million years—but let us scale the figures down to make them manageable.

If we put the past of life at 100 years, then the past of human life works out at about a month, and of human civilisation at between two and three hours. In terms of the same time scale, the future of civilisation, or rather the future during which man has a chance to become civilised, is about 100,000 years.

Two conclusions emerge. First we have considerable time at our disposal in which to learn to do better. This civilisation and many of its successors may collapse like its predecessors, yet man will still have time to build a stable society in which human beings will rise to the heights of knowledge, wisdom, and virtue of which the Victorians dreamed.

THE FUTURE

Secondly, this progress is nevertheless blind ultimately to cease, so far, at least, as the human adventure upon this planet is concerned.

It is this prospect which has driven modern thinkers to conceive of the future of progress as occurring on some plane other than the physical. Although on the political and economic plane there is an immense variety of opinions with regard to the kind of society in which it is desirable for us to live, the Nazi, the internationalist, the Communist, and the Conservative all conceiving the millennium in different terms, there is coming to be a fairly general agreement that any further progress in man's nature as a whole must be in the direction of an enlargement of his consciousness.

Physical evolution has reached a dead end; there has been no marked change in our bodies for hundreds of thousands of years. If evolution is to continue, it must, then, be on the plane of the mind and spirit.

Now it is a matter for speculation whether this enlargement may not already be taking place. For example, if Professor Rhine's experiments in the United States can be trusted, the beginning of new mental powers in telepathy and clairvoyance would already seem to be appearing.

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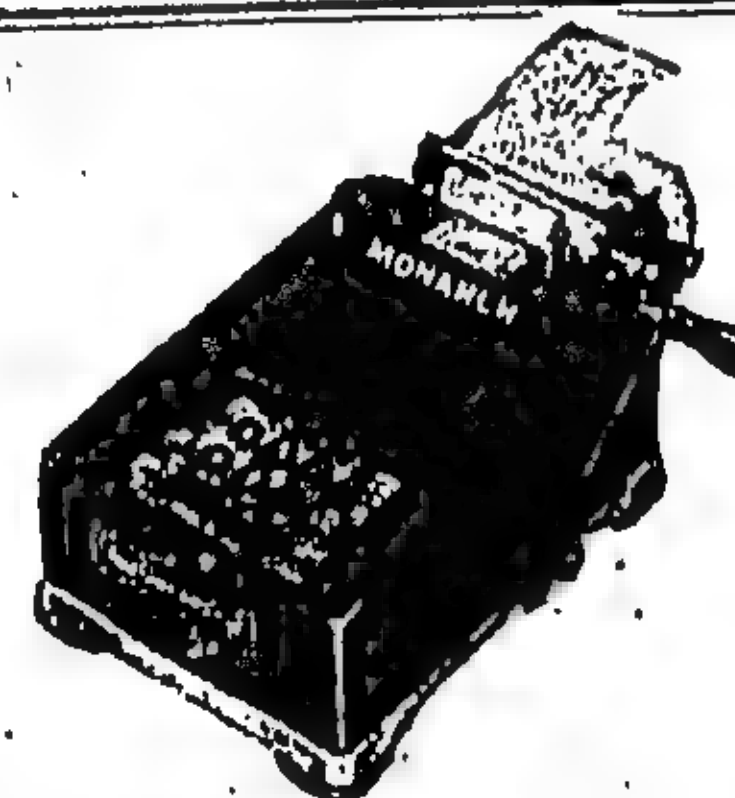
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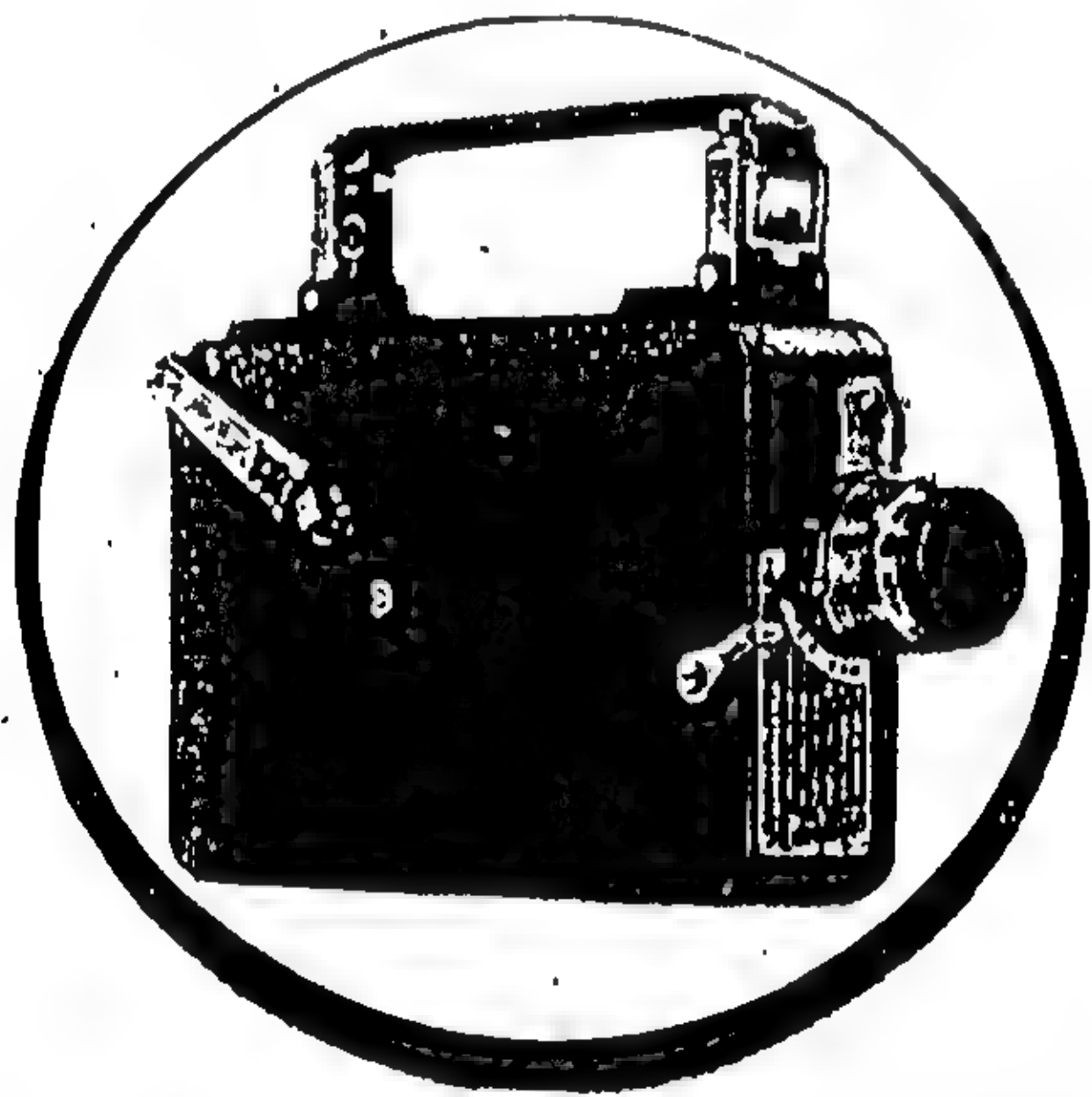
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By VINCENT TOWNE

THE LOVE AFFAIRS OF JULIUS CAESAR

JULIUS CAESAR made a conquest not only of the world, but of many of the most beautiful women of his time. Like Washington, Alexander and many of other of the world's greatest generals, he was a ladies' man. Being a clever, dashing figure, surrounded by the halo of military glory, women found him irresistible, especially as he despised gluttony, hard drinking and the cruel amusements of the era. It is said that the wives and daughters of even his most bitter antagonists adored him.

When Caesar was only 16, his father arranged a marriage between him and Cossutia, a young woman of great wealth, but after his father's sudden death, young Julius broke the engagement and married Cornelia, daughter of no less a personage than the all-powerful Cinnus, ruler of Rome.

Caesar was only 17 when the wedding took place. Within the following year, Cinnus was killed and his political party was ruined.

The terrible Sylla now became dictator and set about murdering or exiling all of his former foes but agreed to save Caesar if he would divorce Cornelia and take a wife of his (Sylla's) choosing.

One of the bravest of Caesar's

foes was his defiance of the dictator, for which he paid the penalty of having his wife's dowry and all of his own property confiscated and of having a price set upon his head.

But death was to separate him and his beloved Cornelia and he afterward married the great Pompey's cousin, Pompeia. While that lady was holding at her house a religious festival to which only women were invited, a very aggressive swain, one Clodius, who had fallen in love with Pompeia, sneaked into her house disguised as a woman. He was discovered by the vestal virgins, who flew upon him in rage and started a scandal as a result of which Caesar divorced his young wife, not, as he said, because he thought her guilty, but "because Caesar's wife must be above suspicion."

Then the world conqueror took as his third and last wife another woman of high rank, Calpurnia, daughter of Piso. During these years and almost to the end of his life, scandal linked Caesar with many of his friends' wives and daughters. Among these was Mucia, the wife of his father-in-law, Pompey, who divorced her on Caesar's account.

When he arrived with his legions in Alexandria, Caesar immediately ordered the girl Queen Cleopatra to



Many Believed Brutus to be Caesar's Son.

come before him and that siren of the Nile had a giant eunuch roll her in a rug and carry it to Caesar as a gift. This clever trick worked just as Cleopatra had intended and Caesar became her devoted slave. After he had spent nine months with her in Egypt, she lived with him two years in Rome and had by him a son, Caesarion, who was afterward put to death by Octavius.

But the most notorious of the world conqueror's liaisons was with Servilia, the beautiful sister of Marcus Cato and the mother of Marcus Brutus, one of the conspirators who assassinated Caesar. She was possessed of remarkable cleverness and character and is said to have commenced her adventure with Caesar when they were both children. When Brutus was born Caesar was 15 years old, yet it was believed by many that he was Brutus' father.

Brutus, although a man of fanatical, gloomy temperament, was devotedly attached to his mother, in

spite of her supposed indiscretion. Caesar always took a deep interest in Brutus, granting him a pardon after he had taken the Senate's side against him and heaping upon him many favours. Indeed, it has been said that Brutus was the only member of the senatorial party in whom Caesar felt genuine confidence.

It has been argued that if Brutus was Caesar's son, the younger man never knew of the relationship. Otherwise, he would not have consented to be one of the assassins of his own father. But Brutus is said to have loved Caesar even when he offered him as a sacrifice to his country's liberty.

Servilia maintained that Brutus' father was her lawful husband, who bore the same name, but Roman society said otherwise. Which was correct the world will never know.

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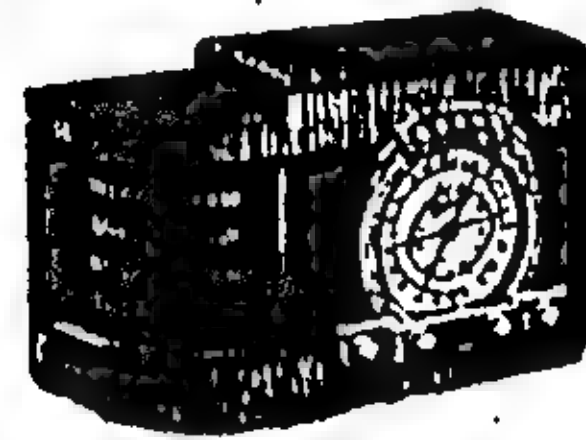


These are the first two women to be employed by a firm of window cleaners in South London. Commencing their duties at seven o'clock each morning, they are to be seen complete in overalls, carrying their buckets and ladders, to do a little cleaning on the "home front." (Copyright, Fox).

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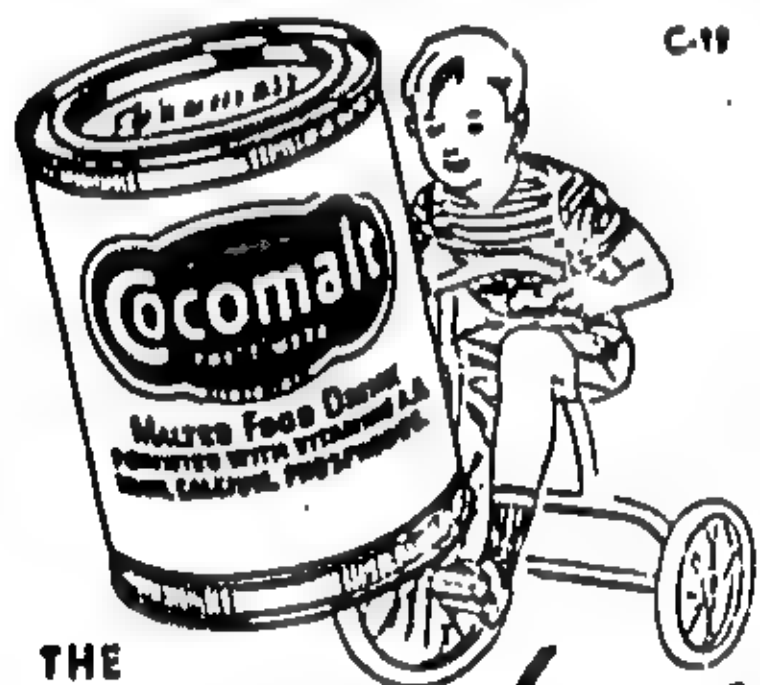
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WHY WE EXERCISE

THE majority of us do exercise. We find we need exercise. But each of us has a specific reason for exercising the way we do. Some women, perhaps the largest number, exercise to remodel their figures. They suddenly become aware of unlovely lines and creeping old age. So they set out valiantly to roll and kick the offending bulges down to more beautiful curves and in the beginning, at least, they are enthusiastic.

Others exercise solely to recondition bodies which have broken down under strain, or are at the point of breaking down. A doctor or friend has said to them, "You should get some exercise. Some reconditioning exercise and you would look better and feel better." Perhaps this group is more sincere and diligent than the other two groups, for they KNOW health depends upon the exercise they take, and not one of us likes to flirt with illness.

AID TO RELAXATION

The third group are the high tensioned ladies. They exercise to relax. They may be career women or social butterflies but all of them lead too strenuous and demanding lives and their need of exercise is to "let up" for a bit, to get fresh energy for another busy day or week. Their figures may be quite perfect and their energy greater than most of their sisters, but exercise is still needed to "unlax" a taut body and mind.

So you see, even though there are three important reasons (many more) for exercising, we must face the fact that the primary inspiration to exercise is the fear that we are losing our attractiveness! And because of that fact I cannot understand women who groun when you mention the word "exercise."



ELEANOR POWELL stretches her spine. Raising herself and bending forward, grasping her ankles with her hands, she pulls her head down.

Your attractiveness, your health, your normal perspective, your beauty, your joy of living, depend greatly upon the amount and kind of exercise you take.

Some of you who stay in the house the livelong day, or never trouble to exercise at all, will scoff at the above statement. You'll say loudly that you do not need exercise, you never have needed it and you are just as well off without exercising. I've heard women like you say that. But if graciousness did not compel me to hold my tongue I would reply: "Just how interesting and exciting is your life, and do you call yourself a beauty? Do you look into your mirror each morning with satisfaction? Are you certain your life is happy and you are just as well off without exercising? I doubt it."

WORKS AWAY GLOOMY FEELING
Pretty dogmatic, am I not? Yes,

on the subject of exercise. For I have taken women who were listless, morbid, ill or plain unhappy and I have given them a fresh grip on a newer and lovely phase of life by urging them to "go exercise"—usually under direction. They discarded their gloomy moods and pessimism as soon as their bodies became more healthy through exercise. Fresh beauty came to eyes and hair and personality. They began to live because their bodies were grateful for the normal work-out they were getting.

You too can live more fully if you will be sensible about your health, and exercise is your first step toward that happiness. See that you get some—if not each day, then at least twice each week—whether it be for relaxation, reconditioning, remodelling or for just simple pleasure!

That Awkward Age

MANY a young girl wishes she could sleep through the awkward years—but that is silly. For everyone passes through that stage, and other than being a bit gangly, those years can be very exciting and happy!

At that age, from eleven years to sixteen, most girls get a driving desire to grow up at once! They tease for high-heeled slippers, long evening dresses, to stay up late, to go to more parties, theatres and grown-up events. They use make-up whether it is forbidden or not, and they whisper about their beaux, and getting married and their sympathetic or unsympathetic parents! The time is known as "adolescence," and mothers should be as much concerned about the problems of these years as the girls themselves.

TO MOTHERS

Even though you do not like to face the fact—your baby girl is growing up. Give her the respect due her years. By that I do not mean to indulge her in every whim mentioned above, but talk with her, grow with her. Help her to style her hair as becomingly as possible. Determine which colours she should wear to bring out her eye and skin beauty. Help her to choose dresses and coats which will help to give her a pleasing figure. The stout girl needs long lines, plain, darker colours. The too thin girl needs prints, fullness in the bosom and hips. All girls need simple, tailored clothes. If skin and hair is a problem, see what you can do to correct the ailments. Acne should be cared for, so should stringy hair. Keep an eye on what she eats, what exercise she gets and what pleasures. Win her confidence and she will tell you.

About thirteen or fourteen most girls use a lipstick and a bit of rouge even if they do it secretly. Give her your permission and teach her to select brands and colours which will protect both her skin texture and her sweet girl appearance! They are pretty sensible, these youngsters, for few of them wear make-up except for dressing up for parties.

It doesn't hurt a mite to give a helping hand to the figure problem. The stocky girl... requires a simple girdle and brassiere. The appear-



Mothers make the mistake of insisting on an adolescent daughter dressing like a mere child. Help her to select becoming clothes.

ance of a very thin girl might be improved by an uplift garment. Do not saddle your youngster with some garment meant for a mature, unwieldy figure. She has the right to ease while she is growing even though she may not be as beautiful as you desire!

Please instruct them about the three essentials to beauty. Rest, proper menus and exercise. They'll listen if you go at it the right way. These adolescent years are formative, sensitive years for any girl. Be her staunch companion so she will not grow inhibited.



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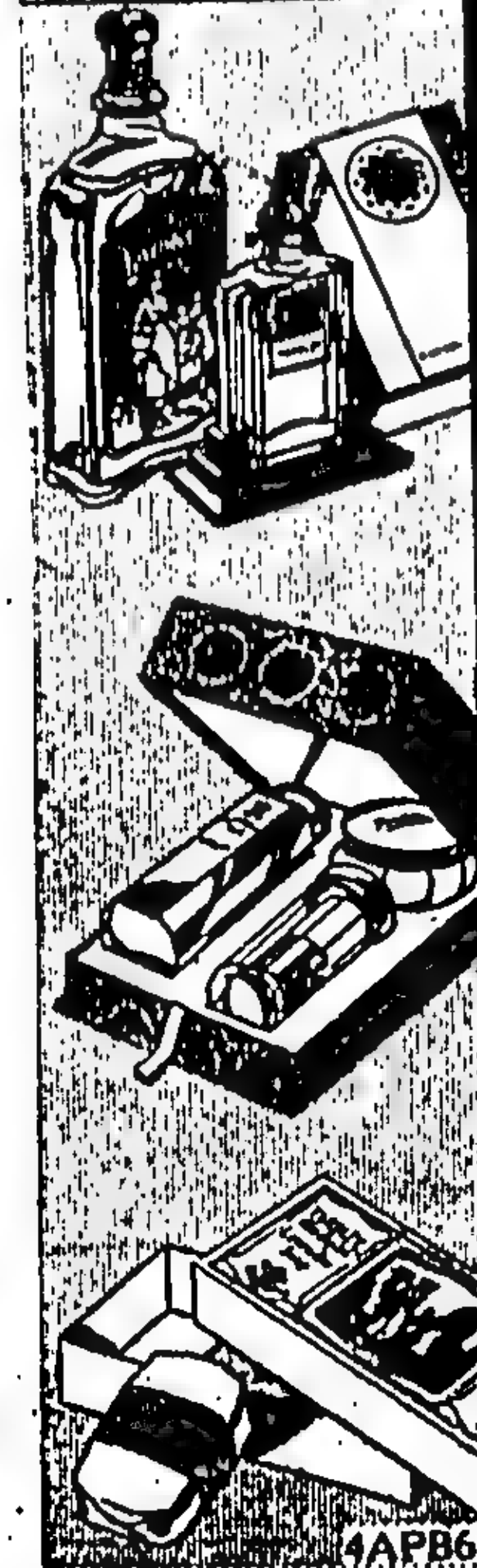
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Acquire Hand Beauty

Patricia Lindsay outlines a few cardinal rules to help you achieve lovely hands.

HANDS are made more prominent with the bright tints of nail polish. The eyes of others are attracted to your hands more than ever before so if you want them to be a party asset, or an accurate barometer of your meticulous inner self, you will make them as lovely as possible by giving them intelligent care.

Naturally the milder soaps are better for hand washing, as are the finer bristle brushes. Dirt does get in around the cuticle and in the tiny skin grooves, and only a thorough, sudsy brushing will get them clean.

Hand cream or lotion has become a necessity, not a luxury, in most homes and, of course, the more times you think to use it, the more lovely will be the skin texture of your hands.

It is better to use a thin orange stick to clean your nails than a sharp-pointed metal tool. In fact I find an orange stick which boasts a tiny brush on one end the ideal cleanser. Dip it into the suds and run it under your nails. It may be used in a bleaching solution also, when you manicure, and to apply a lubricant around dry cuticle.

If you use coloured nail polish it should be changed frequently, especially if your hands are active in housework, or office work, as are most of ours. You know what a shock it is to see chipped, bright polish. You also know how mightily annoying it is to have a broken or split nail. Take the necessary precautions to prevent these by keeping your nails nicely shaped with emery board (not a file) and anointed nightly with a bit of lubricant.

Practice makes perfect in the manicure as well as in anything else. So don't fret over not being able to afford the money or time for a manicure. Buy the necessary manicuring aids and give yourself frequent manicures at home. It is surprising how quickly your fingers will become dexterous and you will be able to manicure your right hand as well as you now do your left hand.

When weather is pretty nippy it doesn't hurt to protect your hands with a bit of cream or lotion. If you wish, you may use the same compound on them that you use for a powder foundation on your face. Kid gloves you know, will allow your hands to become chapped, so wear woollen, or doeskin or suede when the thermometer hovers low.

If your hands require bleaching, get into the habit of rubbing a squeezed lemon rind over them right after drying, before you apply lotion. There are several excellent hand masques which bleach the skin to perfection which you may buy and use at home. They soften harshened skin as they bleach so are grand to have for an emergency, when you must primp in a hurry.

We all like to see pretty hands,

and we all like our hands to be pretty. The simple routine suggested above will make your hands as lovely as possible.

Shaping the nails ovally, applying polish evenly and of a flattering shade, and exercising the hands to keep them youthful, are cardinal rules for beauty. Pointed nails are poor taste, and a stiff hand is never lovely!

Know Your Calories

SUPPOSE you had to keep yourself as slim as a professional model all the year round? Would it be a problem?

According to Bernice Stewart, who is a popular model for magazine covers, it is no trouble at all—if you know your calories! She claims she keeps slender by eating and enjoying every meal!

The diet she follows is the "3-7-11" diet which includes the three base foods—carbohydrates, fats, and proteins, seven vitamins and the eleven accepted minerals. All necessary to properly balanced menus.

By knowing and counting her calories, Bernice eats sensibly and finds no need to go on a starvation diet. . . . Indeed she says, "I could never afford a haggard face, wrinkles and flabbiness that so often follow insufficient meals." In fact, she even includes bread in her menus when she is working hard, for she believes it to be a good source of food energy, and a slice contains only from 65 to 100 calories.

DETERMINE CALORIE ALLOTMENT

Any woman who desires model proportions of her own should chart an individual calorie count. She should know just how much she should weigh for her height and years. If she is only moderately active, this weight figure is multiplied by 15 to determine the number of calories she may eat each day. If she is very active she should multiply the weight by 20.

Such a calorie count gives you a maintenance diet—one that keeps weight as it is, without decrease or increase. To lose about three-quarters to a pound a week, subtract 400 to 500 calories from your daily requirement.

FOOD WHICH MAY BE EATEN

If you truly need to reduce it is best to get a mental picture of the food you may eat without fear of losing vitality as you grow more slim. Here is a simple list of them:

Lean meats, white fish, fowl (except goose, duck)
Fresh vegetables (except peas, lima beans, corn, parsnips, squash, and potatoes)



Well groomed hands have a specific beauty which delight all who see them!

Fresh fruits (except bananas, apples, pears, apricots, raspberries and blue-berries)
Stewed fruits without sugar
Only clear soups
Skimmed milk or dairy butter-milk (not cultured)

Along with watching your diet, exercise a little every day, more strenuously twice a week. Keep your bowels regular and eat at regular hours.

For Your Beauty's Sake - - -

The enviable shimmer and glow of the hair you saw last night might have been the result of using Beauty-shine, a hair rinse and wave set which home shampooers rave about. It is not a dye, contains no henna or peroxide.

The same principle of chest control comes into this business of sitting down as it does in walking. Don't plop into a seat. If your chest is held high, you will sit down smoothly. When you get up, bring yourself up from the chair. Don't spring or lift yourself out by holding onto the arms of the chair.—*Boston Sunday Post.*

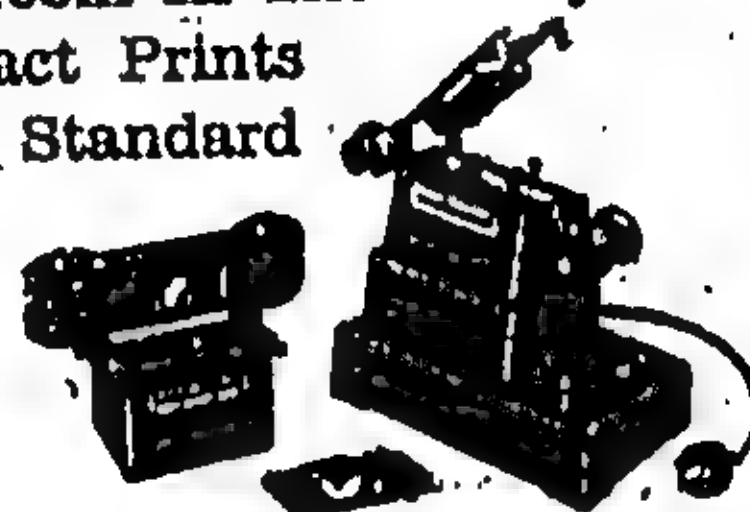
You can shape your lips to flatter your features without actually "painting them in place." If your face is square, make your lips "square" by giving equal tone-value to the upper and lower lips and spreading the lipstick out wide. A heartshaped mouth is most compatible with a long, thin face. Don't try for the rounded-lip effect of the sweet-girl-graduate unless you can get away with it. Put the accent on the lower lip if you have a long or large nose, and on the upper lip if you have a pert, turned-up nose.—*Make-Up and Live.*

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No doubt you've had a couple of other new radios since then, so you probably won't bother to ask more than what make it is when one of these nights Daddy says, "Mother, I bought a new radio to-day!"

But when daughter tugs at your skirt, and cries, "Mommy! A little girl is dancing on our radio!"—Well, then maybe you'd better go see what the new set looks like.

You'll find it has a smoother, fuller tone than the old set. And on the front of it is a lighted square—a moving, talking picture in which the little girl that daughter told you about is tap dancing in time to the music. Why, this must be—it is—it's television, right in your own living room!

Easy, now! This isn't likely to happen to you within the next couple of years unless you live in the immediate vicinity of New York, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, or one of the 15 or 18 other cities where television transmitters are now in operation or under construction. The Radio Corporation of America's lowest price for a complete station is \$120,000. Which is one reason the country won't break out in a rash of telecasting stations right away. Then, too, there's the little matter of cost at your end. A satisfactory television receiver sells for around \$400—and you can get a big armful of dresses and go to plenty of movies besides for that much money!

Production costs will keep the price of good receivers at approximately the present scale for perhaps five or six years or at least until the average unit cost is brought down through mass production, the result of a volume demand for the sets.

At first there will be difficulty in developing sources of supplies of components used in television sets. For example the cathode ray tube (which re-creates the image in the received) is at present limited to about 50,000 per year.

The cathode ray tube is made of Pyrex glass and the glass alone costs more than \$13 because it cannot be blown by machine. There are only ten men in the entire United States who are first-class television-tube glass blowers—and it's a trade that takes five to seven years to learn.

Even supposing that the glass could be supplied quickly, there's the problem of putting all the delicate gadgets inside each tube. This is a tedious handwork job, requiring more than a day to make one tube.

No doubt you have a lot of questions to ask about television. Perhaps you've heard all kinds of strange rumours. The facts are quite simple. As far as you're concerned, television is nearly perfect. Scientists have been experimenting with it for more than 40 years, and it does not seem likely that there will be any revolutionary changes in the near future. The sets on the market now may be expected to operate efficiently for at least five years.

You don't need a license to own a television receiver. (And you don't have to put any quarters into slots, either, as some people think.) Television receivers plug right into any 110-115 volt A.C. electric outlet without extra wiring, and they don't use more than a few cents' worth of electricity a month. A special aerial is needed—it looks something like an overgrown curtain rod—but the store you buy your set from will install that for you.

Operating a television receiver is easy, too. There's one knob for station selection and two knobs for picture control—one for the amount of light and the other for the sharpness of the image. Between them you adjust the picture to your own liking, just as you now fiddle with the bass and treble tone controls on any good radio.

Static causes little interference with television because of the very short wave lengths used. However, automobile ignitions and doctors' diathermy apparatus cause severe interference in visual reception.

What's all this about being able to receive television only within 50 miles of the transmitter? This limited range is due to the fact that television, to find elbow room in the ether, is forced to use waves much shorter than those now used for sound broadcasting. The tiny waves used for television travel in straight lines like light waves. This means that a television transmitter has a definite horizon, the same as a lighthouse. Both the National Broadcasting Company and the Columbia Broadcasting System have selected two very high buildings—NBC, the Empire State Building; Columbia, the Chrysler Building—for their new television transmitters. So that with such increased horizons they will be able to cover the greatest area possible. If the same transmitters were located on two-storey buildings, their range would be reduced to possibly three or four miles.

Do you want to know how television works? It's nothing more than an optical illusion. At any fraction of an instant, all there actually is to look at is one tiny pin point of light of varying intensity. But it travels so fast that you seem to see an entire picture. For that matter, movies are an optical illusion, too; you see a number of still



Inspiration from the aquarium—"The Goldfish", a gleaming gown of gold lame with pleated sleeves like the graceful fins of a fish. Worn by Joan Parry, Columbia star.

pictures in such rapid succession that the characters appear to be moving.

The little pin point of light inside the television tube works just like the needle on a phonograph record repeater. It travels over the entire picture, rapidly increasing and decreasing in intensity to give the effect of light and shadow, then entirely automatically and electrically jumps back to the beginning and starts over again. In the transmitting station a scanning beam of cathode rays is doing exactly the same thing at the same speed, and between them is the radio link.

Now, suppose there is a station in your vicinity—what kind of programmes would you see? The possibilities are unlimited, but at first there will not be more than a couple of hours of programme daily because of the expense of transmission.

The telecasting stations will have to spread their capital over an indefinite period. They can't keep on spending without the possibility of some revenue (sponsored programmes, advertising), but no station at present has a licence to sell television time commercially. Anyhow, few advertisers would buy time until there are enough receivers in operation to make it worthwhile. And many people won't buy receivers until there are plenty of good programmes. And so, you see, it's a merry-go-round.

But that doesn't answer your question about what kind of programmes you could see. There will be spot news—televised as events happen; sidewalk interviews; talks; music; singing, dancing, and comedy skits; dramatic plays; and newsreels and other motion pictures.

And where will the talent come from? From movies, the stage, and from radio, probably. Some of the current headlines look forward eagerly to the opportunity television will offer them. Comedian Bob Hope says, "I could team up with Sally Rand and pack the old U.S.A. Stadium seven nights a week!"

Jack Benny gloats, "Fred Allen will either have to get his face lifted or broadcast from a barrel!"

Joseph Platt, famous dress designer, says that all fashion designers and department stores are eager to use television. "We can show all the latest creations the same evening that they are completed. The features of the designs can be explained fully while beautiful mannequins show off the gowns."

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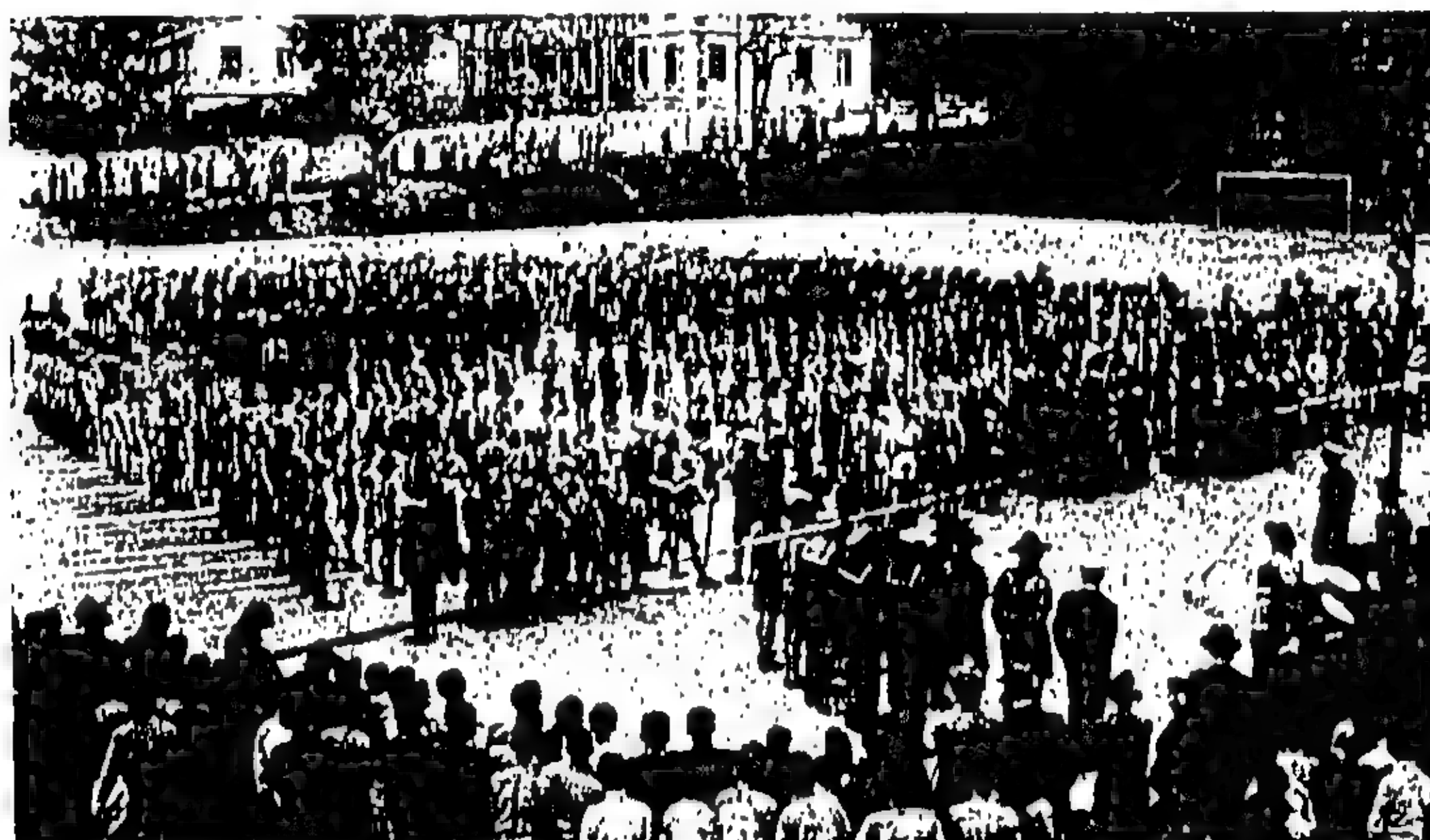
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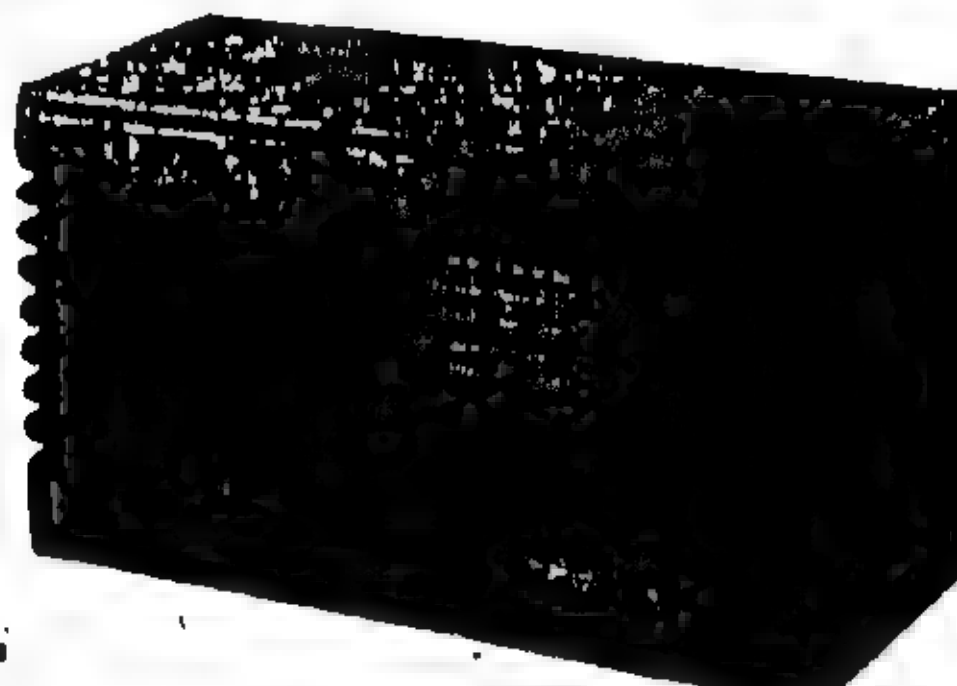
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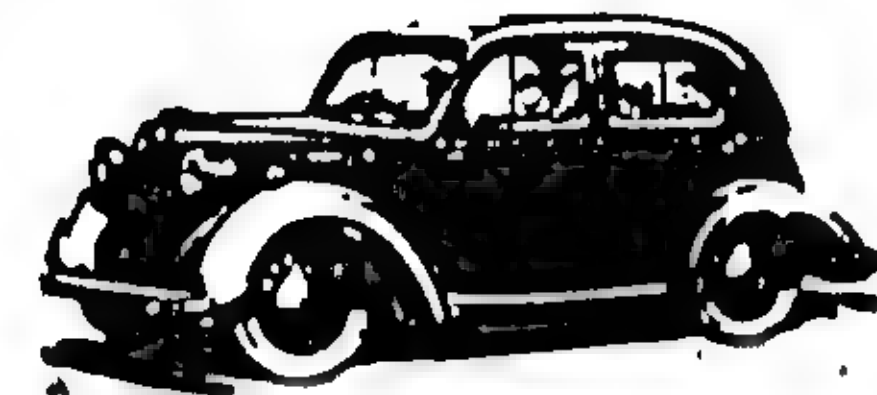
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Your Birthday Horoscope

On this page are horoscopes for people whose birthdays fall within the coming week, and who were born under the Zodiacal Sign of Sagittarius.

TO-DAY

If a woman and December 10 is your birthday, your face, most likely is very expressive. You are probably very emotional and easily affected by what you read, see or hear. You love the unusual, and on occasions may enjoy being unconventional to a limited degree. Through the acquisition of money, you may be in a position to do much good. You may have to work hard and display a great deal of courage before Dame Fortune takes you under her wing and compensates you fully for your perseverance. Your big opportunity to make real headway in the world of affairs, may come through educational, literary, dramatic or some highly specialised line of work. Marriage ought to be your stepping-stone into a life of happiness and ease.

The child born on December 10 may develop remarkable scholastic talents or skill in the field of sports. A circle of devoted friends is apt to have many opportunities to sing this youngster's praise in no uncertain terms. In time there should come an era of great prosperity for children born on this date.

If a man and December 10 is your natal day, sincerity of purpose, earnest efforts, and loyalty are apt to lift you high in the social, professional or commercial scale. As a labour or political leader, doctor, lawyer, clergyman, actor, writer, banker or broker you should meet with remarkable success.

TO-MORROW

If a woman and December 11 is your birthday, you know what you want and when you want it. Impatience may be your besetting sin. Affectionate and generous, you should make many friends. You ought to be entering a cycle filled with an exceptional amount of good fortune, that should bring about a most satisfactory readjustment of your personal affairs. Through missionary, educational, artistic, commercial or literary work you may gain a gratifying amount of distinction. You are likely to display excellent discernment in your selection of a husband.

The child born on December 11 will, as soon as it is old enough, give

ample evidence of possessing an unusual amount of good taste. Mentally, morally and physically this youngster should be sound.

If a man, and December 11 is your natal day, your thinking is likely to undergo a radical change in time. Your viewpoint, most likely, is an extremely liberal one. Among the activities in which your progress ought to be rapid and your pocket-book become heavy, are architecture, engineering, selling, theatrical work, writing, inventing, banking and manufacturing.

TUESDAY

If a woman and December 12 is your birthday, don't let envy make you discontented. Rejoice in the success of others and in time you may share some of their good fortune. Through good fortune you are likely to possess the wherewithal to do whatever you please, in a moderate way. As a teacher, singer, musician, writer, actress or business executive your ability should be easily demonstrated and be responsible for your getting very gratifying results. Your matrimonial prospects for happiness and prosperity ought to grow brighter and brighter.

The child born on December 12 gives great promise of becoming an outstanding member of society. This youngster's enterprising spirit ought to gain it recognition as being endowed with leadership qualifications and executive efficiency.

The man born on December 12 may be far more sentimental than his friends suspect. Generosity is, in all likelihood, one of your principal characteristics. You ought to make an excellent lawyer, doctor, actor, preacher, singer, musician, journalist or salesman.

WEDNESDAY

If a woman and December 13 is your birthday, courage and steadfastness of purpose will enable you to overcome the average difficulty that might confront you. Go slow in opposing family and friends, for their advice is likely to be very valuable. Apparently your life will be a very interesting and happy one, with many things serving as preparatory steps that will lead you

to success. By being a convincing talker you should have little difficulty in having your own way in most matters. Some line of research, literary, dramatic, educational, musical or promotional work may bring you a worthwhile reputation and financial security. Your matrimonial affairs ought to prosper in every way.

The child born on December 13 has generally plenty of personal charm, backbone and a high degree of intelligence. Lady Luck frequently makes children born on this date her proteges.

If a man and December 13 is your natal day, you may suddenly find yourself in a position of affluence and power. Your means to obtain the "Open Sesame" to the portal of success, may be made available through sincerity of purpose, and earnest endeavour. Art, music, journalism, acting, preaching, selling, banking and manufacturing are among the activities in which you can be successful.

THURSDAY

If a woman and December 14 is your birthday, your dominant characteristic may be self-reliance. Good judgment may prevent your making many mistakes, and save you plenty of money. You cannot afford to be too independent, so use common sense in your dealings with the public, if you dislike having anyone attempt to tell you what to do and how to do it. There are many other people who share with you this aversion. Through educational, social welfare, or missionary work, writing, selling, or as a professional entertainer your achievements may attract a flattering amount of attention and place you in a position to make a lot of money. Through marriage your lot in life is likely to become easy.

The child born on December 14 generally displays both its parents' characteristics to a marked degree. Parents of children born on this date must endeavour to win their confidence and, what is still more important, retain it. It is most important that this youngster does not have a lonely childhood. The companionship of children of its own age may help mould its character properly.

If a man and December 14 is your natal day, guard against developing a bad case of egotism, for it can handicap you throughout life. You must give other people credit for having as much intelligence as you have. As an engineer, business consultant, public accountant, author, artist, actor or industrial sales promoter, success may be ahead of you.

FRIDAY

If a woman and December 15 is your birthday, you ought to have great dramatic ability. Your love for admirations is likely to be fully gratified by your having many admiring friends. Your levelheadedness, however, will probably keep you from becoming spoiled. The desire to succeed will most likely be uppermost in your mind. As a newspaper woman, interior decorator, author, store manager, purchasing agent, broker, actress or musician, your ambitions are apt to be realised. There is every indication that you will have a very happy married life.

The child born on December 15, as a rule, controls a very hot temper. This youngster's future should be very bright.

If a man and December 15 is your natal day, through prudence and hard work you may accumulate a considerable sum of money. You are likely to do much better by conservative than speculative



This slacks outfit worn by Rose Stradner takes its inspiration from the hardy mountain shepherd and his picturesque lamb's wool topcoat. Miss Stradner's modification is a delightful bell-boy out with filigreed silver buttons, topped with French blue slacks. For a gay touch of colour she loosely knots a silk printed scarf of red and blue at the throat. (Courtesy, Columbia Pictures).

methods. Law, medicine, acting, writing, selling, composing, painting or manufacturing may provide the means through which wealth will come to you.

SATURDAY

If a woman and December 16 is your birthday, you should be a quick thinker, at times inclined to be stubborn, and frequently carried away by enthusiasm over a new idea. The less advice you have to offer the greater your popularity will be. As a secretary, librarian, business manager, author, poet, actress, singer, artist, interior decorator or broker you may display genius. You seem to be destined to make a congenial marriage and all the blessings of love are apt to dominate your matrimonial life.

The child born on December 16 acts on generous impulses and is generally unselfish. Inculcate into this youngster the importance of being prudent. Most children born on this date are admirably adapted to follow a professional career.

If a man and December 16 is your natal day, you ought to have many fine mental attainments. A pronounced characteristic is apt to be a great love for animals. A desire to help others is likely to make you greatly admired. As a clergyman, doctor, lecturer, salesman, inventor, banker, manufacturer, actor, promoter or politician you may be richly rewarded for your work.

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(By Helena)

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Battlefield, duelling-ground and arena provided Sport with a birthplace.

THERE was a time when football, far from being the grave and scientific business that it is to-day, was a game. It celebrated the capture of a Viking prisoner in Saxon Britain; particularly in the North, where they were perpetually making a nuisance of themselves. The rough sea rovers sailed up the Ribble, and sometimes came to grief in the treacherous currents. Occasionally, a Viking prisoner was captured by the northern villagers; that was an occasion for rejoicing. The lads of the village celebrated by playing a game of football. The ball, I might add, was the Viking prisoner. Later, they simplified the game, a little by removing the victim's head, and using that; it bounced better, rolled further, and was not so heavy.

In due course, the supply of Vikings ran out, so the players had to content themselves with a stuffed bag of cowhide, goathide, or sheepskin. We owe much, you will observe, to the Aryans. The Irish, by the way, had another game which they played with the marauding Danes, Swedes, and Norwegians. Having captured a strong, able-bodied man, they made a small incision in his abdomen, pulled out a length of intestine and nailed it to a young tree. Then they prodded the unhappy man with spears and made him run round and round. When his digestive system was exhausted, he fell down dead, for even in those days it was inconvenient to live without entrails. Then they said, "The man has no guts," and selected another prisoner. The game of Dancing Round the Maypole probably has its beginnings in that wild Irish practice. (And incidentally, there is one race on earth entirely impervious to the famous Irish Blarney and Charm—the Scandinavians. It must be remembered.)

The Irish were always rough in their games. The good old Irish sport of hurling has its origin in red, primeval battle. The first man killed in the Irish Troubles of the 1920's was brained with a hurley stick. The game is similar to hockey, and began as a primitive exercise in military manoeuvres, long before Saint Patrick. The villagers divided into two sides, armed themselves with their shilleaghs, and went through the motions of battle. If you have ever seen a hurling match, you will realise that the game hasn't changed very much. The stick used is something like a Polynesian war-club; a wicked weapon of tough wood bound round at the flat part with iron. The game itself is like hockey without rules. One slashes from all angles at the bouncing ball, scooping it up on the flat of the stick and smiting it with all one's might. Men are killed in the course of that game; and teeth are at a premium. It is the old war-game of the savage Irish kernes.

Most bat-and-ball games have similar origins. Polo, even, is a species of cavalry manoeuvre; and still remains a snob game, as cavalrymen have always felt superior to men on foot. The dodging, snatch-

ing, runaway grabbing tactics of basketball come from the sticks of the old plunderers. Getting away with the swag was essential to all proper men, and training in the art of wriggling out of your enemy's clutch while still holding the booty was part of one's education.

Games, you observe, have their grim origins.

Even the fox-hunting squire harks back to the hairy savage who galloped, howling with hunger, after terrified small beasts of the field. High-trained running is the ancient art of the quick getaway.

So we may say that the origin of sport is self-defence. The many arts of wrestling were born in the hand-to-hand struggle on the battle-battered field, when weapons were dropped or broken and nothing was left but hands, feet, and teeth. Thus, every country has evolved a style of wrestling, adapted to their temperaments and environments. The Cornishmen, descendants of the girdled Semites who went to Ancient Britain for tin, grasp their opponents by the belt. The rugged men of Northumberland and Westmorland developed a system of tremendous heaves of the shoulders, probably derived from the Roman soldiery when they built the great Wall across the North of England. For the Roman style is not dissimilar to that of Northumberland—the wrestling style of the conqueror, who fights from the waist up and scorns the subtleties of horizontal matwork.

Again, the French-Canadians inspire terror among other wrestlers by the tremendous power of their legs. They jump like cats, kick with both feet at once, and apply scissors-heads which almost cut opponents in two between their thighs. Theirs, you observe, is essentially the style of the lumber-worker; the man who has to live by the strength and agility of his legs, when he bounds from log to log over the jammed timber of the Canadian rivers.

Furthermore, kicking is an essential part of the French system of self-defence. The game of La Savate springs out of it. The opponents box with their slipped feet, landing extraordinary high kicks to the face and body; lightning-fast toe-kicks and slaps with the soles of



the feet. Georges Carpentier, the world-beating boxer, began as a Savate-player. Played with slippers, La Savate becomes little more dangerous than boxing; but when you realise that it comes from a wood-en-booted country, you see how the sport developed from the deadly peasant duel with fists and feet, in which the fastest and most accurate kicker necessarily won. Again: offence and defence give birth to a sport.

Similarly, the Lithuanians have made a game out of the insulting and painful practice of face-slapping. It is all done in fun, now, and is rather monotonous to watch. The opponents stand, four-square, and slap each other's face with the palm of the right hand. When you remember that a Lithuanian peasant's hand is calloused to the consistency of horn, a slap in the face, delivered with all the force of a ploughman's shoulder, is far from being a joke. Yet two champion face-slappers of Lithuania slapped each other continuously for thirty-six hours for a wager. Such a game can never be drawn, of course: the last slap wins. It is a crude and primitive affair, like the Chinese coolies' game of finger-prodding. In this, one simply pokes one's opponent in the stomach with a stiff forefinger, and receives a poke in the stomach in return. The battle is won by the man whose finger and stomach-muscles hold out the longer. They train on racks of rice, which they prod for hours on end, until their forefingers resemble gnarled wooden sticks. Sometimes, with true Oriental indifference, they prod each other to death.

Sports such as these, together with boxing and singletick, are evolved by warlike spirits during periods of conquest. Deprived of weapons,

the population seeks to develop the killing-power of the muscles God gave it. The Noble Art of Boxing began, therefore, as a clown's system of back-handers, just as Ju-Jitsu is supposed to have been originated by women left at home by their warring husbands. It was designed to protect their honour. Ju-Jitsu has since developed into the subtlest of all human exercises. The wrestlers move with the grace of dancers. By Ju-Jitsu, the weak may defeat the strong; that is the primary function of the art. The antagonist defeats himself by his own strength: all the trickeries of leverage and pressure are explored and put into practice. The Black-Belt Ju-Jitsu man can overcome any man on earth. But, as usual, the old defensive art of bone-breaking and nerve-squeezing has become surrounded with fairy-tales; ten thousand conventions. The Ju-Jitsu man is almost like a cricketer in his punctilious etiquette.

The same has happened in every case. The good, old-fashioned punch in the trapes has accumulated a complete tradition of nobility and honour; the ancient smack on the skull with a club has become hockey, golf, cricket, hurling, baseball, lacrosse, and even billiards for all anybody knows to the contrary; while even the time-honoured poke in the eye with a walking-stick ferrule is given rules and regulations—"Walking Stick Fighting," complete with technical terms. It is a fact! The preliminary waggle or twirl of the cane is a "Moulinado"; from which you "Flick" the stick at kneecap, shin, jawbone, or eye; the coup-de-grace being a prod under the soft part of the chin which sends the end of the ferrule up into the victim's mouth.

The silliest weapon and cloven skull has brought forth the gentlemanly sport of fencing with foil, épée, rapier-and-dagger, and sabre. We are gentlemanly, now, in all our sports. The virtue art of shooting with the long-bow and placing three feet of quivering shaft in an opponent's back is called Toxophily. A ball of rubber and leather replaces the dripping head of the decapitated Norseman. Hurling is still more warfare than sport, but the Irish prefer it that way. Fighting hand-to-hand has become rationalised; skittles have taken to chromium-plate; even the business of running away has turned scientific; for this is a new age. The warriors of old were mere playboys to us of the 20th century. One could turn an old-time war into a pastime, with no ill-feeling.

But we are civilised, and have altered all that.

JESTS UNDER THE BREATH

A wireless dealer advertises that he demonstrates free, gives a free trial, attends to upkeep, and replaces components, also without charge. If you are really insistent, we understand, you might possibly persuade him to accept the first instalment.

A Dorset district council has decided not to paper the walls of council houses. The architect is said to be quite confident that they will stand up on their own.

In his recent broadcast Mr. Montagu Norman said he didn't like dirty banknotes. Personally we are not so keen on hygiene as all that.

Efficient house-dogs are going for next to nothing just now, we read. Anyway, that's a change from going for the postman.

A business man defends betting on horses and dogs on the grounds that it keeps money on the move. Even if it is only one-way traffic.

It is reported in an American paper that a young and beautiful heiress recently married a struggling artist. We failed to see, however, why he struggled.

Dr. Ley says he would like to see Germans drinking non-alcoholic drinks. And now, the Teetotalitarian State.

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An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds and Ends Noted in the Months Reading.

In the course of his long practice my father ran into a number of litigious families. It is well known among the members of the legal profession that nothing is quite so good for the lawyers as a spirited family fight. Unrelated individuals are often valiant fighters, but for malice and cruelty as well as resourcefulness and pertinacity nothing can come up to a contest between members of the same family. They know so well how to avoid each other's strength and get at the weakness.—Bellamy Partridge in "Country Lawyer," Whittlesey House.

When I was in business in Japan as an export and import merchant, by merely being honest I completely baffled the Japanese, to my own financial advantage. They could not understand any merchant being honest, and they fooled themselves with the belief that I must be a peculiarly crafty and artful person. When I said I would do a thing, they judged I would certainly do something else. Thus, when I did do what I said I would, I took them by surprise.—Weston Marty in Blackwood's Magazine, London.

Dining with the French Generalissimo Gamelin the other day, Paul Valery, noted author, said, "You know, General, it's not the wicked of the earth who are responsible for so much misery, but rather the trusting and credulous without whom the wicked could do nothing."

—Volia, Paris.

Students at a Chinese missionary school, taught to play football, uniformed and exhorted valiantly to win, set out for their first big match at a neighbouring school.

They returned a few hours later—uniforms unspotted, hands unscratched. There had been no game. "We decided not to play as soon as we arrived," the captain said. "The other side was bigger than we were."

—Pearl Buck quoted by John Gunther in "Inside Asia," (Harpers).

Gandhi's health is quite good, except that he suffers intermittently from high blood pressure. He looks made of rubber. He is not nearly as frail, as brittle, as his photographs indicate; the torso is well formed, and the muscles hard and smooth. His personal physician, Dr. Roy, one of the first doctors of India, told me that he was "superbly normal." But then Dr. Roy admitted that Gandhi could do things that normal men could not do.

His experience of fasting has, for instance, given him peculiar powers over his body. Once—indication that he is not given to self-delusion—he noted that fasting could be "as great a weapon of indulgence as restraint." Once he was down to ninety-seven pounds and eating only 400 calories a day. Dr. Roy said he must get up to 104 pounds, and that he could do this only by doubling his intake of food. Gandhi listened patiently, refused to change his diet, and asserted that he could take on the necessary seven pounds in one week without changing his diet by one calorie. Which he did.

He will say, "I will go to sleep for twenty-five minutes." Then he can fall asleep instantly, and sleep for twenty-five minutes and no more. On the trains his attendants know that he will be asleep within thirty seconds of getting into the compartment. Once he was asleep in an automobile, returning from Pandit Motilal Nehru's funeral. The car overturned. Mr. Gandhi was thrown out, but when his worried friends went to him on the roadside he was asleep again.—John Gunther in "Inside Asia," (Harpers).



TROOPS TRAIN IN LONDON-STREETS—A detachment of soldiers in the Home Counties are carrying out part of their training on the grass verge at the side of a road in South West London. They are seen above during rifle practice, and the gas-masks they are wearing offer a strange contrast to the peaceful suburban houses in the background. (Copyright, Fox).

A foreigner in a Nazi restaurant ordered some butter. When he tasted it, he made a face and said: "Now I understand why they prefer cannon to butter."—Pariser Tagesspiegel, Paris.

Lithuanians do not forget that the last village on the German side of the Memel-Lithuanian frontier is Nimmersatt. In German it means "never satisfied."—News Review, London.

The mayor of the city of Wattenscheid, Germany, has announced that beginning with January 1, 1940, every healthy family which gives birth to a fourth, fifth or subsequent child will receive a capital sum sufficient for the building of a home or the renting of a four-roomed modern dwelling with bath.

For every third, fourth or subsequent child born after April, 1939, the mother receives a weekly stipend of 100 Reichsmark.

When she enters the category of mothers of large families, the mother receives a bank account in the form of a savings bankbook for 1,000 Reichsmark, of which 400 were deposited at the birth of the third and 600 at the birth of the fourth child.

All these rewards are given, however, only if the state has been notified in writing of the intention of founding a large family, or of adding further to one's family. In this way, for the first time, a clear distinction can be drawn by the state between the desired children and children born of accident. Only the planned-for child is a fulfilment of one's duty to the state and confers the right on the parents to make increased demands on the nation.

Furthermore, the same claims may be filed by all women born before the year 1910, (who, through no fault of their own, have remained unmarried because the men Nature intended for them died in the war), provided they serve the state by the gift of children. For these children born in honour, the city of Wattenscheid will be godfather, and will present each child with a bankbook for 500 Reichsmark, plus a guarantee of care for its welfare until its majority is reached.

—Das Schwarze Korps, Berlin.

The most agreeable place to read is on the train. One is comparatively safe from interruption, one cannot be annoyed by the telephone, one almost always has a good light both by day and by night.

Two suggestions; in general in the U.S.A. sit on the right side of the train; then you will usually have no track outside your window. On the left side, freight-trains, running in the same direction, keep intervening between you and the light, and it usually seems as if every freight-train were at least four miles long. When your railway car has finally passed it, and you hear the maddened snort of the freight locomotive, maddened because you have escaped, your train then stops at a station just long enough to permit the entire process of overhauling it. Therefore, sit on the right side of the train.

Secondly, ride backward, if you can. It is easier on the eyes. In this attitude, the trees, poles and landscape fade gently and gradually away, whereas sitting forward, they rush furiously and directly into your defenceless face.—William Lyon Phelps in "Autobiography," (Oxford).



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By Ely Culbertson

SOME plays that declarers are forced to make speak so loudly and distinctly that the defenders must be very deaf or very dense to fail to hear and understand them. To-day's hand offers a good illustration of this point.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
Match-point duplicate.

NORTH			
S—K J 5			
H—7 6			
D—A 10 9 5 4 3			
C—K 9			
EAST			
S—Q 10 8 2			
H—K Q 10 9 8 5			
D—None			
C—Q 8 2			
SOUTH			
S—A 7 4			
H—A J			
D—Q 8			
C—A J 10 9 5 3			

The bidding:
South West North East
1 club 1 heart 2 diamonds Pass
2 n'trump Pass 3 n'trump Pass
Pass Pass

South's two no trump bid was questionable in that he had only one sure heart stopper. He had a good enough hand to try for a minor suit game and it probably was the fact that he was playing match-point duplicate that made him go out for a no trump game, with its higher trick value. Besides this, there was, of course, the chance that North might hold as much as the ten hearts with two guards, which would give South a double heart stopper if hearts were opened. Incidentally, West's vulnerable overall was a shade light, but not to be criticised considering his freakish distribution and the fact that he could make this overall at the one-level.

West opened the heart king, East played his second highest, the three spot, and declarer pounced on the trick with his ace. A low club was led to the king and on a club return the finesse to the jack was attempted. West won with the club queen and went into a long huddle over his return. After great agonising and wistful consideration of laying down the heart queen, West finally decided declarer would not have bid two no trump with the ace-jack of hearts blank. The thing to do [West concluded] was to try to put East on lead for a heart return through declarer. To that end West shifted to the ten of spades. Declarer, who had been holding his breath and trying to look nonchalant, whooped triumphantly as he won this trick, dashed another spade and the diamond ace, fulfilling his contract.

It was all very well for West to conclude that declarer would not have bid two no trump holding the A-J of hearts blank, but this reasoning was superficial in comparison with the inferences that could and should have been taken from declarer's first play. West should have put himself into South's position and visualised what would have been the proper play if declarer had actually held the A J x of hearts. With that holding there would not be one chance in a thousand that a reasonably good player would accept the first trick. He would hold up the ace [Bath coup] with two distinct objects in mind: First, if West continued with a heart the lead would go to the remaining A-J tenace; second, a holdup play might be valuable to exhaust East of hearts so that if he later took the lead in some suit he would not have a communication card to his partner's hand. Thus declarer's action in accepting the first heart lead should have been taken as proof positive that the jack was not guarded. West, on winning with the club queen,

should have laid down his heart queen with alacrity and dispatch, and the result would have been a much happier one from the East-West point of view.

I hope none of my readers will point out that declarer could easily have fulfilled his contract by letting the club jack ride through West. This sort of double-dummy play is

not found in the best games. It was a sheer guess, as far as declarer was concerned, as to the position of the club queen. If he guessed wrong, he preferred to have West on lead and under the necessity of laying down the heart queen, rather than East, who could lead through and show up declarer's heart jack without being forced to use any imagination.

THE ARMY IN TRAINING



This striking picture taken somewhere in Hampshire where men of the Army are undergoing extensive training, shows soldiers in gas-masks running to "attack." (Copyright, Fox).

Pamela picked at her food

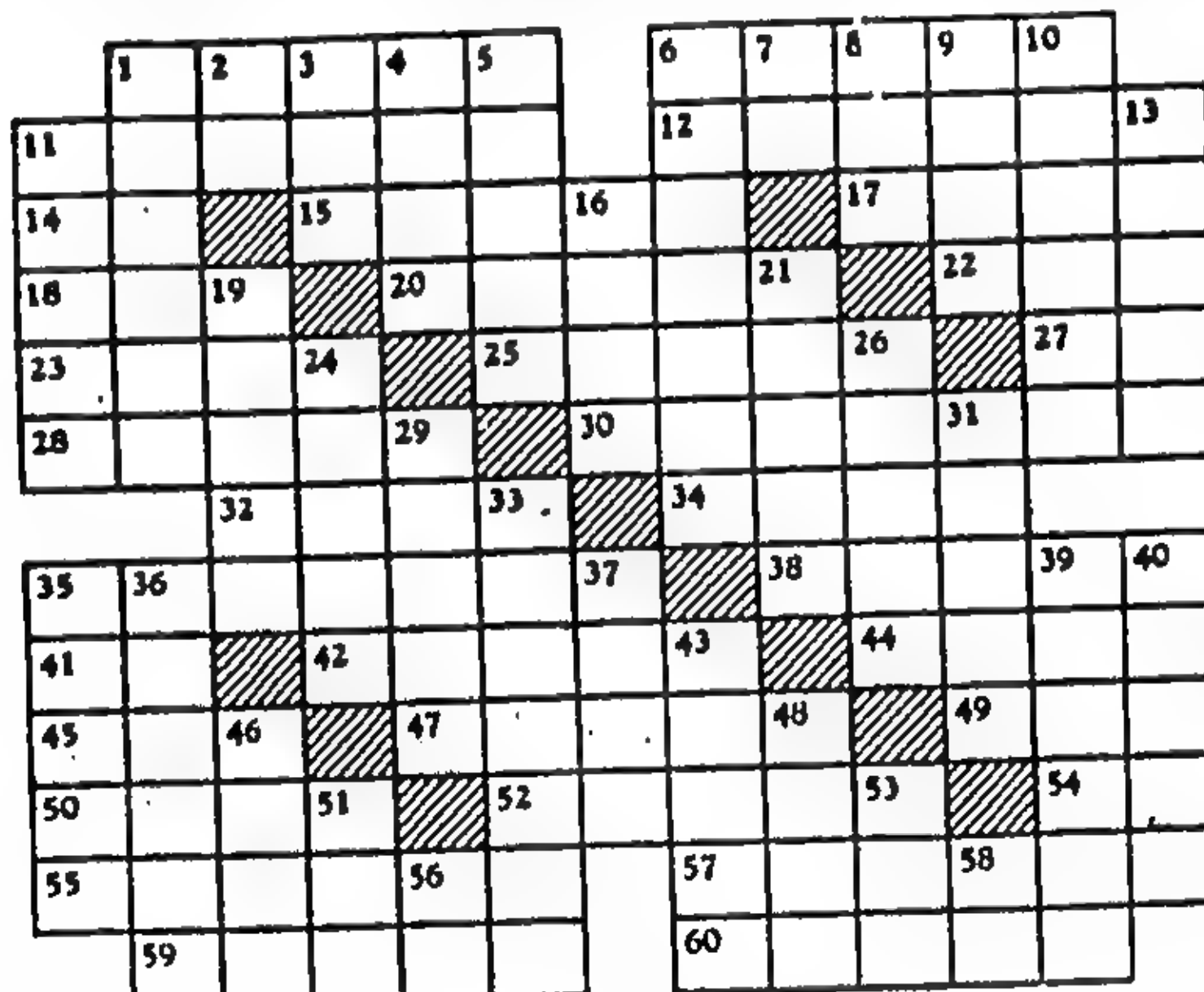


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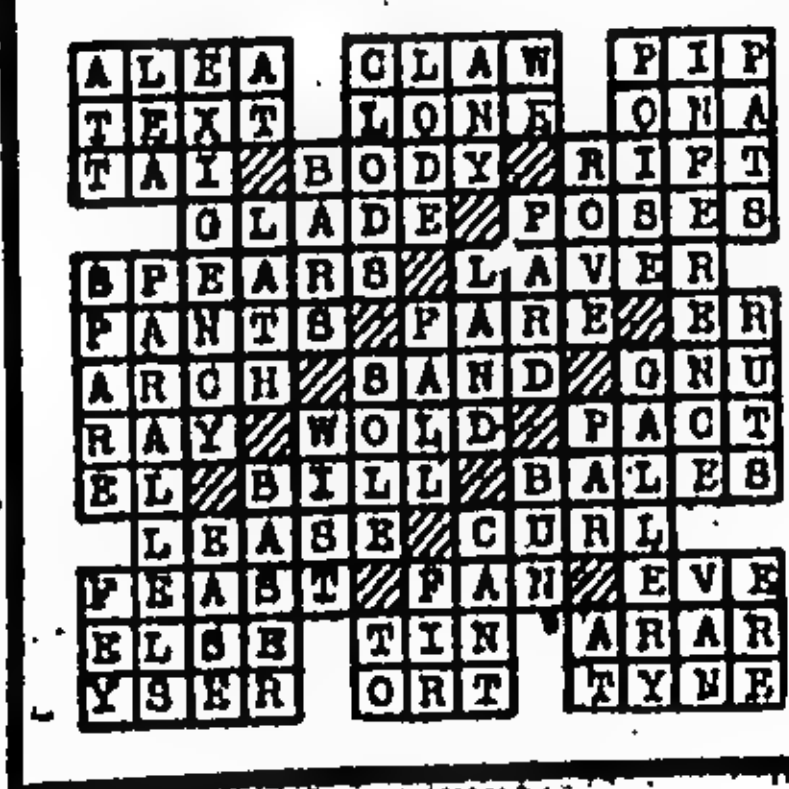
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Plays boisterously
- 6 Formal practices
- 11 Highly seasoned dish
- 12 Poetive poles
- 14 Preposition
- 15 Preface
- 17 Efficiency
- 18 Adaptability
- 20 Theatre boxes
- 22 To attach
- 23 Volume
- 25 Oriental title
- 27 Sacred word
- 28 Moslem princes
- 30 Traders
- 32 Caps
- 35 Retainers
- 38 Fertile spot
- 41 One
- 42 Muse of poetry
- 44 Infallible
- 45 Fruit seed
- 47 Shore bird
- 49 Age

VERTICAL

- 1 To redeem
- 2 Biblical king
- 3 Cleaning device
- 4 Seam-stitch
- 5 Porch
- 6 Pharaoh
- 7 Preposition
- 8 Bushy clump
- 9 To redact
- 10 Elder
- 11 Way
- 13 Holds back
- 16 Old expletive
- 19 Issues
- 21 Military hat
- 24 Eaten away
- 26 False name
- 29 Booms
- 31 To follow
- 33 Leaned
- 35 Gasified liquid
- 36 Hostile feeling
- 37 Ado
- 39 Smoothing device
- 40 Spanish title
- 43 Form of drama
- 46 Attendant
- 48 Man's name
- 51 Unready
- 53 Minute mark
- 56 Symbol for tellurium
- 58 Pronoun

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



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HALLELUJAH!

Winnipeg Willie was driving along in a woozy condition when he had an accident, and was thrown into a five-strand wire fence.

When they found him, he was fidgeting the wires lovingly and they heard him murmur: "Thank goodness they've given me a harp."

SERVE'S M RIGHT

A colonel on a rare occasion got into No Man's Land and attracted the attention of a German sniper in a tree who fired at the officer, but missed him. The colonel grunted to his man: "What do you mean by letting him do that?"

The sniper replied: "Sorry, sir, but I didn't see a thing."

Presently a star-shell went up "I see him," said the sharp-shooter, and waiting for another star-shell, he fired.

Pling! The enemy rolled out of his tree and the soldier, blowing the smoke out of his rifle barrel remarked: "Take that for missing our colonel."

PAGE MR. DARWIN

It was the first time that the aunt had seen her five-year-old nephew. Her pride in her family blood was very strong. She scrutinised the youngster closely and finally remarked to the boy's mother:

"He has the Stokes' nose, the Stokes' eyes, but heaven help me, I don't understand where he gets his mouth!"

Several hours later the youngster was heard to admonish his kitten in all seriousness:

"Kitty, you have the Stokes' eyes, the Stokes' nose, but heaven help me, I don't understand where you get your tail!"

ABOUT TIME

The proud mother visited the furniture store to make the final payment on a baby carriage. The ambitious clerk, ever alert for the customer's welfare, asked:

"And how is the baby?"

"Oh, just fine," answered the mother. "He's getting married next week."

BELIEVE ME

"When I was in India," said the confirmed liar, "I saw the tiger come down to the water where some women were washing clothes. It was a very fierce tiger, but one woman, with great presence of mind, splashed some water in its face—and it slunk away."

"Gentlemen," said the travelling man in the arm-chair, "I can vouch for the truth of that story. Some minutes after the incident occurred I was coming down to the water. I met this tiger our friend has been telling us about and, as is my habit, stroked its whiskers. Gentlemen, those whiskers were wet!"

BUSINESS IS RUINED

Doctor McTavish had worked hard to put his young son through school. When Sandy had graduated from his medical course and returned home, the Old Doctor turned over his practice to his son and took a well-earned vacation.

Upon his return, he was greeted by Sandy at the station who said, "Father, I've made some marvellous cures I even cured Mrs. McGregor's stomach trouble and after you had treated her for six years."

"What!" exclaimed the doctor. "I'll have you understand that it was Mrs. McGregor's stomach that put you through college."

FOR BETTER OR HEARSE

"I hear you're getting a divorce," remarked Pete to his friend, Willie.

"Yes," said Willie, "I've found that the ceremony was illegal."

"Why, that couldn't be. You had a church wedding, a lot of flowers, a big wedding breakfast, a lot of fine gifts, and a marriage certificate with a gold seal on it."

"Yes, I know all that, but I've just found out that her old man didn't have a licence to carry a gun."

SHE SPOKE OUT OF TURN

While his mother was away on a visit, little Willie's nurse took him over to see his two old maid aunts.

"And how do you like living alone with your daddy?" asked one. "Do you hug him and kiss him?"

"Oh, yes," said the little fellow. "Me hugged and kissed daddy last night."

"That's wrong," his nurse corrected him, "you should say, 'I hugged and kissed daddy last night.'"

"No, nurse," said Willie, "that was Friday night."

They're telling the story of a golf fan who shuffled off his mortal coil and went to Hades.

Arriving he was struck by the marvellous beauty of the clubhouse and the links surrounding the fiery pit. "Geel!" he exclaimed. "This certainly is a wonderful place. If I had known it would be like this I would have been here long ago. Got any caddies?"

"Certainly," replied the devil, grabbing a sledge hammer and bending a huge gong. Immediately a great company of good-looking boys clad in natty uniforms with gold buttons appeared.

"How marvellous it is here!" enthused the new arrival.

Then the devil showed him the fairways covered with silky green-sward and handed him a mahogany driver set with emeralds and south sea pearls. He swung the club and yelled, "Gimme a ball!"

"That's the H—of it," said Satan. "There ain't no balls!"



"You still have time to change your mind about that policy."—1000 Jokes, U.S.A.

ON THE WIRE

Marcus and Lavin, two business partners, shared the same room. Their desks were separated by a partition giving each a private office but they could hear each other over the partition.

One morning a telegram arrived from a salesman of the firm. "Wait a minute," said Marcus, "and I'll have the stenographer read it to you."

"All right," called back Lavin from the other side of the partition, "go ahead."

The stenographer began: "Keokuk, May fourth STOP called on Joseph Brothers here to-day and showed them new spring line STOP interested them to extent of selling them big order STOP."

"Hey, Marcus," interrupted Lavin, "Can't you leave the girl alone tell she gets through reading?"

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"You say this all happened in an Austin?"—Brentford, Toronto, Canada.



An amusing scene of the more personal side of camp life. Ptes. A. Azedo, J. Marques and N. Barretto making themselves "pretty" for the day.

MISCELLANEOUS VIEWS



Mr. P. V. McLane, new Canadian Government Trade Commissioner to Hong Kong, who arrived in the Colony last Friday. Mr. McLane relieves Major V. E. Duclos, who leaves for Shanghai shortly.

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Kowloon Garden Fete



Lady MacGregor photographed when she formally declared open St. Andrew's Garden Fete, which was held in the Church grounds last Saturday.



Peter Jeffreys, "The Official Censor," seems somewhat doubtful of the "Scarecrow," Basil Whitecross. Both won prizes, the first for the most original costume, and the other was runner-up.



A vision which caused some discomfort: Master D. Hopkins in his role of "Departed Spirits."



Laureen Clemo in Jester's costume, is accompanied by her mother.



Joan Peters and Doreen Gibson, as a "Valentino" and "Ice Cream Seller" respectively, have their picture taken with an "Apache."



Alan and Jane Bradley, appeared as "The Bride and Groom," making a handsome couple, if we may say so.

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Master Prophet prefers his national dress.

(Left) — Michael Pearson dresses himself up as "Robin Hood."

GERMAN INTERNEE FUGITIVE FROM H.K. NOW IN YOKOHAMA

KREMLIN DENIES RUMANIA THREAT

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Moscow, Yesterday. A formal denial of Soviet intentions to impose on Rumania a non-aggression pact similar to those concluded between Moscow and the Baltic countries, has been issued by the press office of the Foreign Commissariat.

The Soviet Government denies all responsibility for the article, which called upon the people of Bessarabia to secede.

The statement declares that the article does not represent the views of the Soviet Government, which continues to have friendly relations with Rumania and Turkey.

It will be recalled that what were submitted as the Soviet intentions were outlined in a threatening article in the "Communist International," organ of the Comintern two days ago.

COPIES WITHDRAWN

The Commissariat's announcement declares that the review's ideas are entirely inconsistent with Russia's policy towards Rumania.

Simultaneously, all copies of the "Communist International" containing the incriminating story have been withdrawn from circulation.

Foreign observers are of opinion that this sudden change may be the first result of the cold Finnish resistance.—Havas



Karl Jocheim and his wife, photographed in Yokohama. His wife is half-Japanese.

Karl Jocheim's Story Of Day And Night Hiding In Hills

TAXI CRUISED IN HOSPITAL AREA EVERY NIGHT

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

KARL JOCHEIM, THE German internee, who at the end of September escaped from Kowloon Hospital with the collusion of his wife, who was not interned, is now in Yokohama, with his wife, the "Sunday Herald" is able to disclose.

As suspected at the time of the escape, the runaways crossed the Hong Kong border over the Shumchun River, were taken eventually to Canton, and their journey to Japan facilitated by the Japanese authorities.

Jocheim, telling his story last Saturday to a correspondent of the "Asahi Weekly," disclosed that he spent a night and a day hiding in the hills near the border, and compelled two Chinese to guide him safely over on the second night, by threatening them with a hunter's knife.

Telling his story from the beginning, Jocheim related how, at 7 p.m. on the evening of the outbreak of war, his home was visited by two British police officers accompanied by two Chinese and two Indian constables, and he was informed that war had been declared. He was told he would be interned, was taken to the Water Police Station and interrogated, and then taken, with other German residents to La Salle College.

About sixty men were already there.

"Thus," said Jocheim, "we were placed under the 'jurisdiction' of Indian troops armed with rifles, with fixed bayonets—I have never seen such a scene. My name and number, 78, were called. My suitcase was opened and passports and private documents extracted and a receipt given. Soap and shaving kit was allowed.

"Pleasant" Wish

"I was then taken to the top floor and in a large room found sixty beds.

"Lying on a bed close to the window, I hoped for a Japanese attack which would crush this building with bombs."

"My motive for attempting to escape was the conviction that the war will be prolonged. I did not like the idea of being interned so long."

"I was formerly an ore engineer in the Philippines, where I suffered from lead poisoning for nearly six months. After partial recovery, I was advised to take fresh milk to assist in the cure of the disease."

"I decided to exploit my illness to help me to escape. On the afternoon of the fourth day, I petitioned the Superintendent of the Camp, requesting different food as necessary to my health."

Planned With Wife

"A military surgeon visited me and after studying Roetgen pictures taken in Manila, sent me to the army hospital for observation. I was transferred to Kowloon hospital, where my wife was permitted to see me constantly."

"I suggested to her that she should hire a taxi and cruise in the vicinity of the hospital at about 11 p.m. every night. I had discovered this to be the most promising time for an attempt to escape, as there are few nurses and no doctors about and a few days' knowledge had shown the guards were getting sleepy at about that time."

"On September 27, I had everything ready. I slipped out of hospital without being observed, jumped into a taxi waiting just round the corner and ordered the driver to go to Fanling."

"My wife was with me, with a suitcase."

Challenged Near Tai Po

"We were challenged by a patrol of Indian police constables on the highway near Tai Po Police Station."

"I shouted: 'Government officers, going to Fanling residence.' They were not suspicious and allowed us to pass."

"We reached Fanling at 12.20 a.m. and I paid off the driver and ordered him to return to Kowloon."

"We then passed over the railway."

through a lot of ricefields, feeling miserable and cold, seeking the shelter of the hills.

"We saw the light of a lamp ahead and ran back into the ricefields, believing that the light showed that search parties were out looking for us."

"Later we reached a creek we believed to be ten miles from the border."

Crossed Creek

"Because we knew no other safe path, we had to cross the creek. In the middle it was so deep as to immerse my wife's head."

"We crossed, however, and took five minutes' rest."

"We then stole along the edge of the railway and came in sight of a big building which must be the last railway station in British territory. It would have been very dangerous to try to get past there, so we climbed the hill on the right, over rough stones in the darkness, and then clambered down the other side."

"Dawn was beginning to break when we reached the foot of the hill, and we knew that we could not attempt to cross the border now."

"We searched for a place to hide during the day and found a thick wood of shrubs close to the ricefields and we slept."

"At about 5.30 p.m., we were seen by a Chinese who passed through the shrubbery and I promised him much money. If he would guide us over the border."

Short Cut

"When night fell, he brought another man, and they took us up another hill which he said led to a short cut across the border."

"As we were walking, we saw Indian soldiers on two different tracks, converging on our path."

"We got down on our stomachs and crawled into the undergrowth."

"The Indians passed without detecting us, but the Chinese took alarm and attempted to leave us. I threatened them with my hunter's knife, and forced them to continue to guide us."

"At last we reached a river. It was the border. And a flag of Japan was in sight."

"As we started to cross the creek, a voice loudly called on us to stop. It was an Indian policeman, some hundreds of metres away and he could not reach us before we were in Chinese territory occupied by Japanese."

"Merry Stay"

"I paid the Chinese \$20 and let them free."

"We were shortly afterwards captured by the Japanese and taken to the Shumchun Headquarters. We had a merry stay for two days and then went on to Canton."

Jocheim does not explain the method of his arrival in Yokohama.

ITALIAN PLANES IN ACTION IN FINLAND

London, Yesterday. According to reports reaching here from Finland, the 50 Italian planes which have arrived there have gone into action immediately, shooting down at least five Soviet planes."

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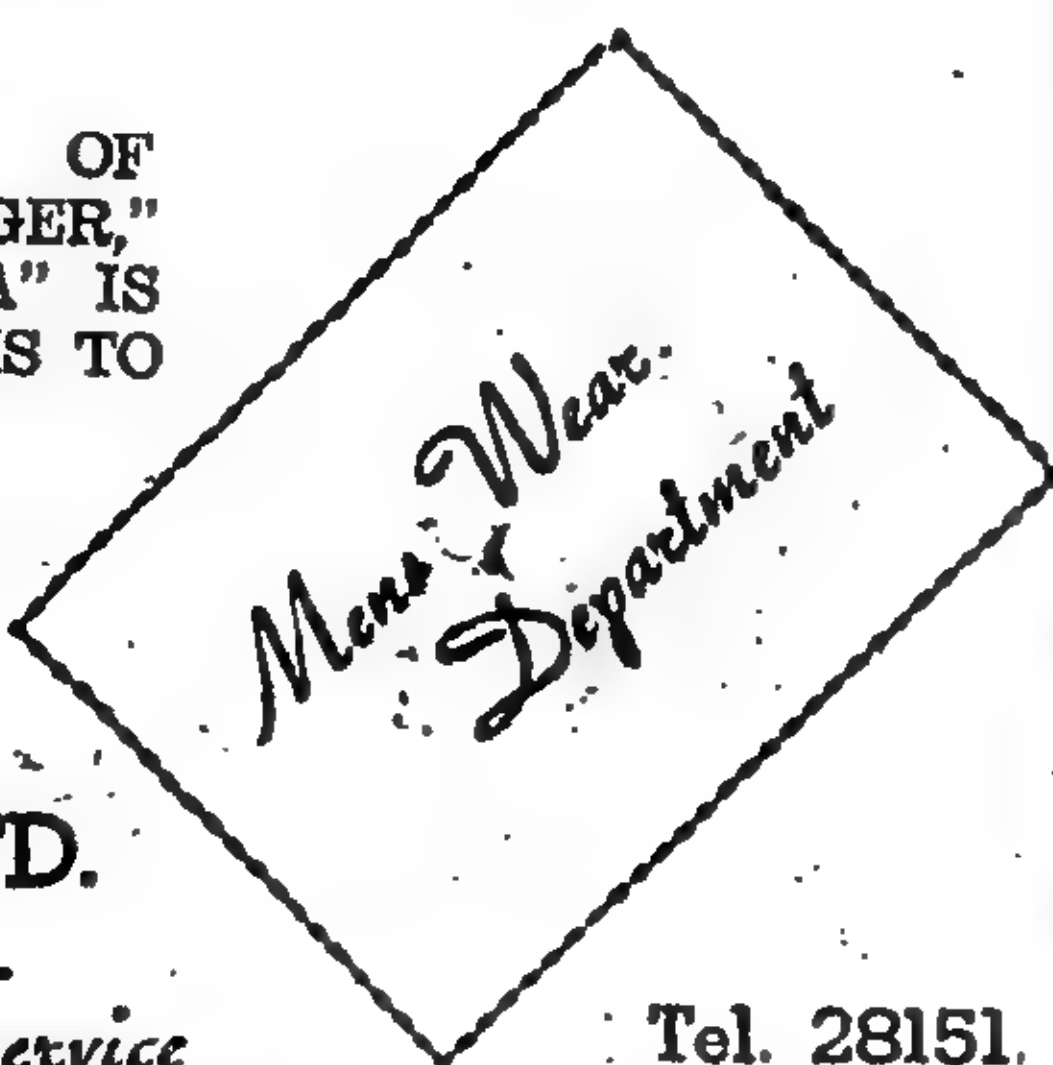
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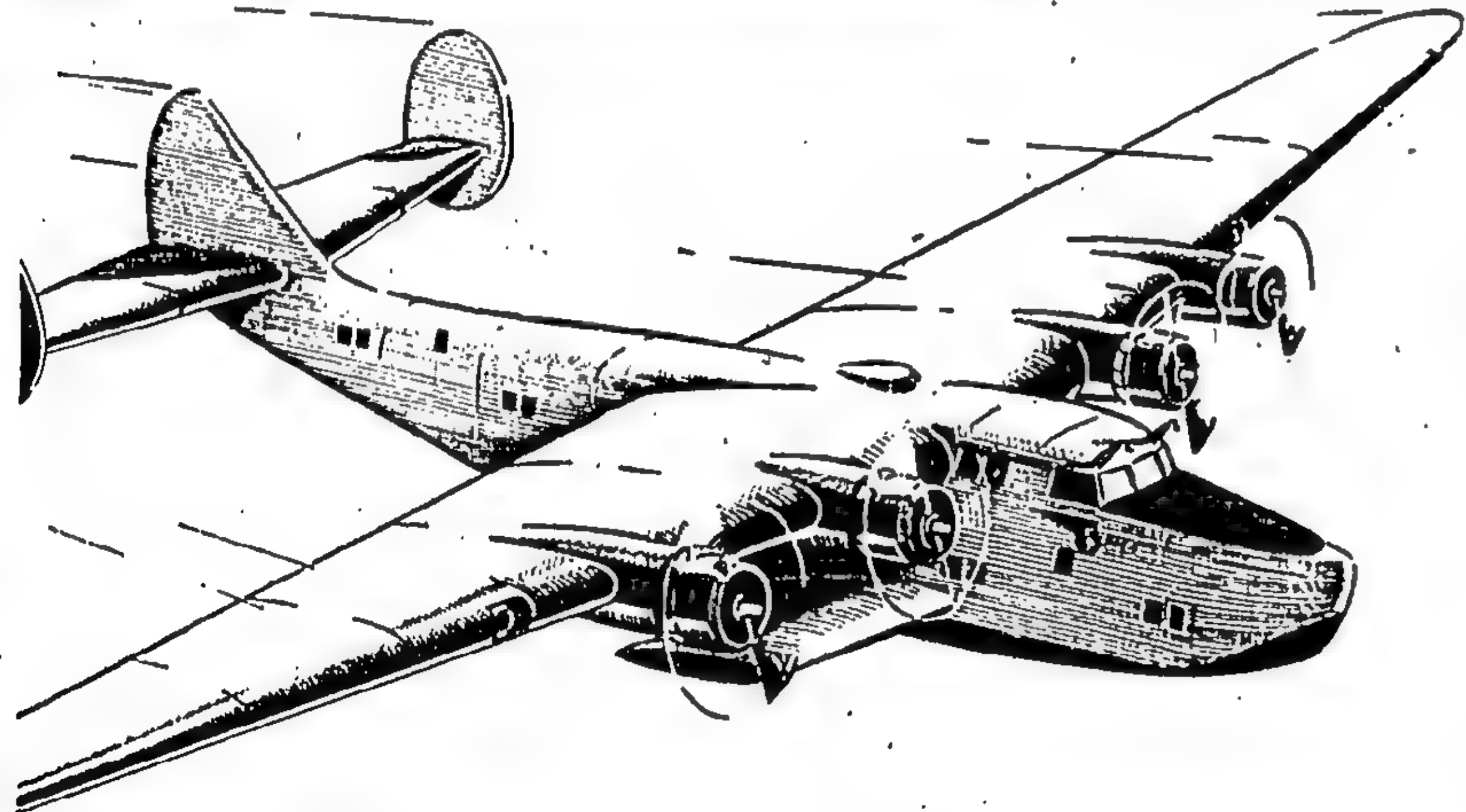
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HIS FATE IS SEALED

Although there has not yet been any first class military action in the war, it is gradually being won.

Hitler, misled by Ribbentrop, could not bring himself to believe that Britain and France would ever resist his claims. He now knows that his view was wrong. It is, perhaps, not surprising that he should have taken this opinion, for he had been amazingly successful in getting his way by threat and terror without the use of arms.

It was strange that, as the danger of resistance from Britain and France grew nearer, he should turn to the East and swear eternal friendship with the U.S.S.R. Hitler had, on innumerable occasions denounced the Soviet Union in unbridled language. He had repeatedly declared that Bolshevism was the Devil. His hoarse and hysterical voice could be heard over the wireless inflaming the minds of his people against Bolsheviks and Jews.

Then suddenly he embraced his arch-enemy, completely repudiated the policy he had consistently followed since his seizure of power, and left his people shattered and amazed by his absolute change of front.

Why, we may ask, did he eat so many of his own words? Why did he turn his back on the views so definitely expressed in "Mein Kampf"? The only answer is that he was afraid of what he might have to face in the west, and dare not risk the prospect of trouble in the east.

He knew that if he could do it, at whatever cost to his previous declarations and prestige, he must try to buy peace on his eastern frontier. In a week or two he suffered more serious diplomatic reverses at the hands of the U.S.S.R. than any ruler within living memory. He had then lost the first round in the war.

Harassed by doubts as to the future trend of events in the east, and

confronting increasing strength in the west, Hitler then began to feel himself trapped. He now stands without a friend in the world. Russia stands aside, pursuing her own policy. The Rome-Berlin axis is not turning the wheel of fortune for him.

Every nation within striking distance is suspicious and apprehensive. The smallest nations are now showing increasingly their determination to defend their rights and freedom. The days of Hitler's marauding expeditions in Europe are over. He has created for himself a ring of defenses against him.

In spite of extensive—and expensive—propaganda (which Germany can ill afford), Hitler has made no headway with the neutral powers, notwithstanding the start he has enjoyed and the absence of information from the Allied Powers.

At home, his position is not a happy one. There are elements within the German Reich which are de-

By the Rt. Hon.
ARTHUR GREENWOOD

initely hostile to him. Masses of Austrians have not forgotten how they were bullied out of their freedom. The people of Czechoslovakia, so recently enslaved, dream of the re-establishment of their Republic.

The German Social Democratic Party—officially destroyed by Hitler—still remains in being, and in touch with public opinion.

As the war continues, as dissatisfaction and suffering increase, so will deep discontent grow.

Internally, therefore, Germany will become weaker, both materially and spiritually. The desperate character of the situation is obvious even now. Arrests and rumours of arrests are bound to give to the outside world,

and especially to the Allies, an impression of Germany's desperate plight and of a sense of panic.

On the other hand, whatever defects there may be on the allied side, there can be no doubt about its growing strength. With our system of free criticism in Britain, a false view of the situation might arise in Germany. But we do not belittle the preparations which have been made and which are still being carried out on a colossal scale, though we do claim that shortcomings should be remedied and the national effort co-ordinated and strengthened.

From the military point of view, there are grounds for satisfaction. Germany, on the other hand, has no soldier of distinction left in her armies. Whilst war supplies to the Allies are steadily and progressively increasing, Hitler will find it more and more difficult as time passes to maintain the necessary supplies of materials and equipment, and to provide for replacement.

Economically, Germany is becoming a beleaguered nation. The pressure of the blockade becomes stronger. Hitler's capacity to purchase goods for his needs shrinks day by day. Even were he to negotiate trade agreements with his neighbours, he would still lack certain raw materials essential in war which can only come to him from overseas. Whilst the British Merchant Service still sails the salt seas, German craft are being hunted down or driven to harbour.

On all counts, Germany is losing the war as the days go by. We have not, fortunately, suffered heavy losses of human life on a scale comparable with the first weeks of the last war, but the Allies have, on the other hand, strengthened their power and their hold on the war situation.

Our purpose remains firm. Time is on our side. Germany shows signs of weakness which will grow. The end, therefore, is clear.
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How Holland Was Saved

THE Netherlands were saved from a German week-end attack at the eleventh hour, only by a Belgian declaration conveyed to Germany that a Nazi invasion of Holland would automatically bring Belgium, France, and, naturally, Britain to the defence of the Netherlands if the request were made.

Faced on Friday the tenth November by what was considered virtually certain evidence that Germany intended to launch her armies against the Dutch over the week-end, the Belgian Cabinet, with a magnificent burst of courage, simply told the Germans that Belgium's big friends would not stand for an attack on Holland. They would not treat it as a localized affair, but would enter into action in the defence of the Dutch immediately.

This information, conveyed to Hitler at the last available moment, forced the Fuehrer to hold up the

planned attack. It has for long been known that the German forces opposite Holland, particularly in the hollow of the frontier near Cleves, were being increased to a size out of all proportion with any but offensive intentions. According to the last news, no less than twenty-five German divisions were identified along the Dutch border, which could be speedily reinforced by others stationed near Belgium and by further forces within easy distance in the in-

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terior of Germany. Not only this; these divisions were pyramided one behind the other like a football team for a smash through (cockle with armoured divisions well out in front).

Then the Germans were suddenly informed that they would not be allowed to eat "another artichoke leaf"—meaning the Netherlands—in peace. That the moment the first German crossed the Dutch border, Belgium's twenty divisions would swing into action. It was known, furthermore, that the British air support of the Dutch was probably available if required. Once the Belgians opened their gates and invited their aid, the Franco-British armoured divisions, which are considered to be qualitatively superior to the similar German units, would roll into action with a speed that would open the eyes even of Generals Blascowitz and Reichenau, who, with the Third Army group, were prepared to do to the Dutch what had been done to the Poles. In other words, the general limitless war which the Germans had so far done everything to avoid would have started, and the Allies and the Germans would have met along the almost open Dutch frontier. The British air attacks on the advancing German columns would almost certainly have started an air war on both sides, which so far everything has been done to avoid. This information was conveyed to Berlin and terrified the Fuehrer. The offensive was countermanded when the plans were already complete.

For how long? That remains to be seen. Certainly, with each passing day, the support which the British and French would be able to give Belgium and, through Belgium, Holland, is vastly increasing in efficiency and striking power. People who, like your correspondent, recently spent some time with the French Tank Corps have seen how superior this material is to the tanks which the Germans have so far put into the field. They can understand the Fuehrer's hesitation. Once more it has been demonstrated that nothing impresses the Nazis but the

knowledge of an impending bloody nose.

Your correspondent can now state that, on Saturday November eleventh, the French Staff took all the necessary measures in the expectancy of an imminent attack on Holland and of "a real beginning of the war." Once more Hitler weighed.

All honour must be paid to the Belgians for their courageous decision. Loving peace more than anything, Belgian patriots like King Leopold, General Denis, Senator Rolin and Deputy Joris realized that "no belief" could be placed in the word of the violator of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, that the way to impress Hitler was to answer by superior force. Henceforth Belgium's policy will not be guided by any ostensible effort to avoid seeing the real issue. The Belgian commercial mission has informed Berlin that Belgium will not even negotiate with Germany under threats. There can no longer be any question of Belgium being bullied into acceptance of "friendly neutrality" towards Germany.

Holland has been saved—at least for a short time. Obviously, those who know Hitler do not expect him to accept supinely his terrific defeat. Certainly, this defeat will be concealed from the mass of the Germans, and this concealment is being aided by the Dutch readiness to state that German military threat on Holland's frontier was "merely an attempt at commercial blackmail." But the neutrals believe that, with the passage of each day, Hitler's strength wanes, that of the Allies increases—that every week without a German military offensive hastens the date of Germany's capitulation.

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The Neutral Front Of The Small Powers

THE THIRD EUROPE

THE two schools of political thought by which Europe is divided in this war have had no attraction for a large number of the smaller states. On the contrary, the tendency to adhere to one or the other of the two fronts—that of the Dictators or that of the Parliamentary Democracies—has decreased since the Germano-Soviet alliance destroyed the prospects of a peaceful compromise.

The first World War knew no ideological differences, no part was played by philosophical considerations. Capitalism and Socialism, world trade and autarchy, parliamentarism and dictatorship were not on mutually hostile terms. The sole reference made by the fighting conditions to political and cultural superiority was in order to justify their claim to a wider sphere of influence. In this purely political strife, most of the European and many of the non-European states were involved. Neutrality was the exception, participation in the hostilities the rule. Today, neutrality is the normal position, participation in military operations the exception.

Not Left To Own Devices

The result of this reversal of the situation is that the small neutral powers are at present no longer left to their own devices, as in the world war, when there was hardly any kind of understanding between them. The neutrals of to-day are in close contact among themselves and form

a definitely constituted unit, a political reality—numerically the strongest group in Europe—after the two combatant parties.

This development is all to the good of the community of nations and, in estimated, for the existence of a wide circle of neutral states is in itself a guarantee against what would otherwise be an inevitable extension of hostilities. Furthermore, the measure in which the overwhelming majority

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of the peoples refuses to be drawn into the political differences of others, opens up prospects of a speedier finish.

The more disputed or threatened territories are withdrawn from the political imbroglio, and therefore secured from aggression, the more favourable are the possibilities of settling outstanding problems.

No Answer Possible Yet

Whether in the long run it will be possible to maintain an extensive zone outside the war is a question which cannot as yet be answered. In the last great war there were also neutrals who later joined the warring camps. This was above all so in the case of the great powers. It was seen that nations like the United States of America and Italy could not stand on one side when fundamental political issues were concerned. But whereas the maintenance of a rigid neutrality may be problematic in the case of a great power, for

the small states it is the only manner in which they can preserve their existence.

It was impossible in the present tragic situation of Europe for the small powers to abide by a mere declaration of neutrality. They had to go over to armed neutrality, to mobilize in their own countries and to be prepared to defend their independence in the event of any open violation of their territories or of their rights.

They have gone further, and, for the more effective protection of their neutrality, have constituted a kind of "political block" with a view to concerted action in the political and economic field. The external pressure of the warring powers is therefore countered by a united front of neutrals.

The Oslo Group

This front is headed by the so-called Oslo Group. Through the catastrophic aggravation of the European situation, the co-operation of the northern countries has achieved great practical importance. It has reinforced the determination of the states in question to maintain their neutrality, but a very brutal attack on the part of Russia may detach these states from their neutrality.

Unlike the Oslo states, the Danubian and Balkan countries—Hungary, Yugoslavia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey—have not officially declared their accession to a neutral block. But they are equally determined to maintain their neutrality—a policy which is mainly evident in economic matters. To prevent the European conflagration from spreading to the Danube and the Balkans is in the vital interest not only of these states, but also of the neighbouring great powers. In this connection, Italy is particularly concerned in seeing that south-eastern Europe is spared the horror of war. For Germany also, it is of special importance that her economic collaboration with the Balkans and Danubian countries should not be affected by military developments, since the Danube river traffic, which has not yet been intensively exploited, offers a certain compensation for the blockade of the North Sea ports and the excessive demands now being made on the German Railways.

The northern neutral zone and that of the south-east are completed by a third—that of the signatories to the Baltic Pact of September 2nd, 1939—Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The Baltic Pact united these countries in a political and economic block.

New Issues

The maintenance of the neutrality of these small states was above all conditioned by their relations with their great neighbours. So long as the weight of the German Reich and Poland could be cast into the balance against Moscow, any Soviet attempt to regain these provinces would have been doomed to failure. Now that Germany has renounced her policy of equilibrium in the Baltic and has eliminated Poland, Russia has been able to carry out her plans and to occupy the Baltic ports.

A sharp contrast to these smaller states whose policy is mainly directed towards seeking "protectors" is offered by Switzerland, with her modern and strict conceptions of neutrality. Switzerland's neutrality is unrestricted and is aimed at preventing the country from becoming a pawn in the hands of a foreign power. She is determined to counter the perils inherent in international tensions, as during the world war, by reinforcing her national defence. This policy is supported by a people in arms.

Switzerland

It must be admitted that the position of Switzerland, like that of the Netherlands, has undergone considerable changes since the last war, when the south and north wings of what may be called the Rhine Front remained outside the danger zone. Today, when the intensive fortification of the Western Front has virtually immobilised the belligerents, the latter are compelled to bring their main strength to bear upon the wings and the menace of violation of neutrality has therefore increased. Against this danger Switzerland is protected in two ways: first, by the aforementioned, strictly conceived, policy of neutrality, secondly, by the assumption expressed some years ago by a foreign military expert that the Swiss Army is capable of opposing such resistance to invading troops as to cause an eventual aggressor losses of time, money and man-power which would largely outweigh any advantages to be gained by a violation of her neutrality.

Less openly expressed but quite as determined for the moment are the

intentions of Italy, Elre, Spain, Portugal and certain smaller collectivities to maintain their neutrality.

Italy's Position

The neutrals thus number about twenty-five. Italy's neutrality is of great importance, above all as a mainstay for the small Danubian and Balkan states, for Italy's detachment has resulted in the fact that the Mediterranean basin is so far unaffected by the war and that the whole of south-eastern and Balkan Europe still lies outside the military zone.

In a final survey of the situation as so far presented, it is possible to note that, notwithstanding the pressure exercised, the neutral policy of the smaller states has been consistently maintained and that they are resolved to continue in this way with all the means at their disposal. In order to preserve this attitude for the whole duration of the war and to reinforce the bases of their neutrality, the small powers must seek to intensify their collaboration in the already existing neutral blocks, must recognise the community of interests among neutrals and must aim at a rapprochement with the newly-created Pan-American neutral group. As a result of this policy, more and more states will gravitate into these true orbits of peace. United, they will constitute a force—a "Third Europe"—with which the world will have to reckon in the future. (World Copyright 1939 by "Sunday Herald" and Co., Shanghai—Hong Kong—Manila—Singapore. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.)



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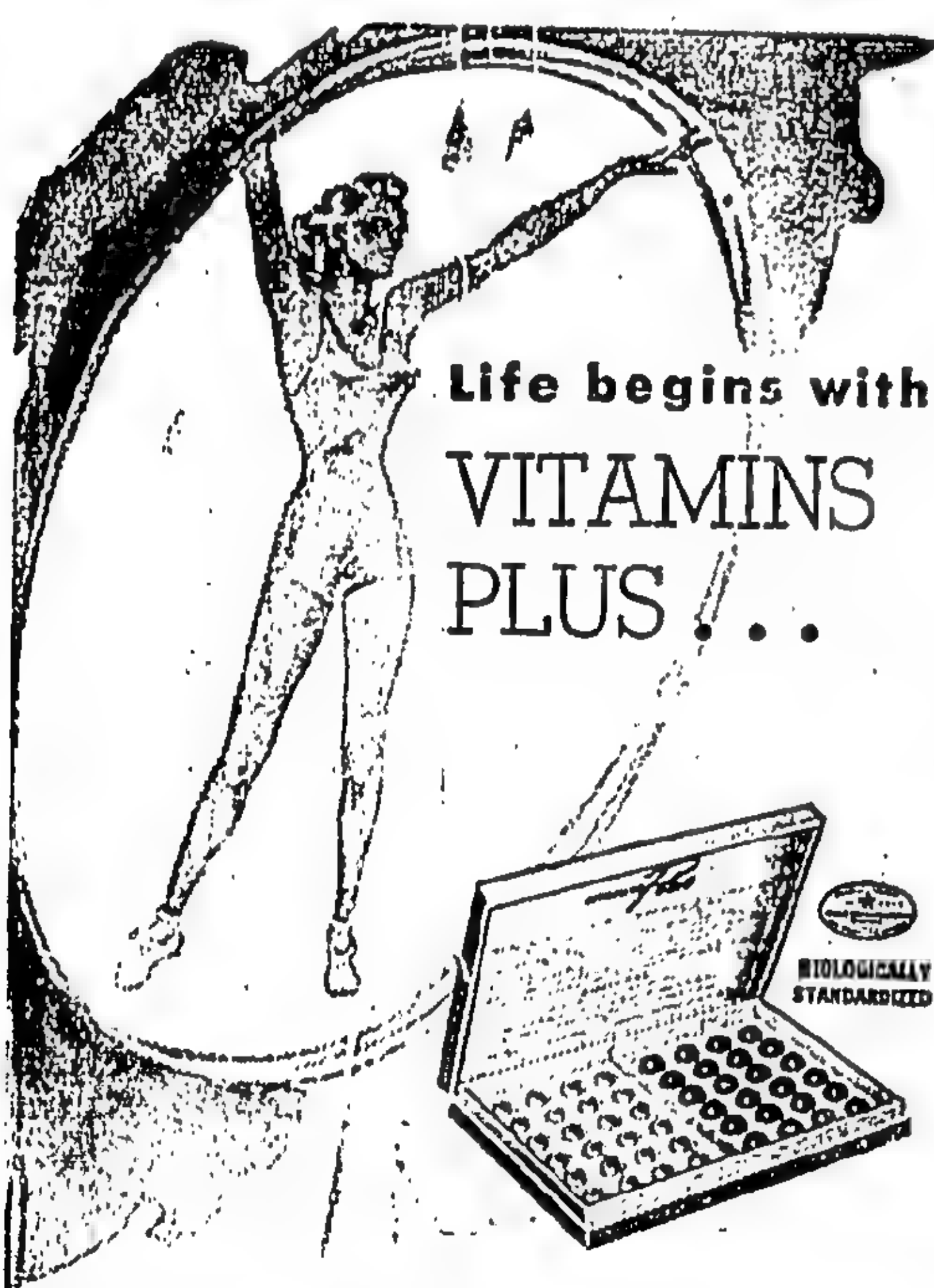
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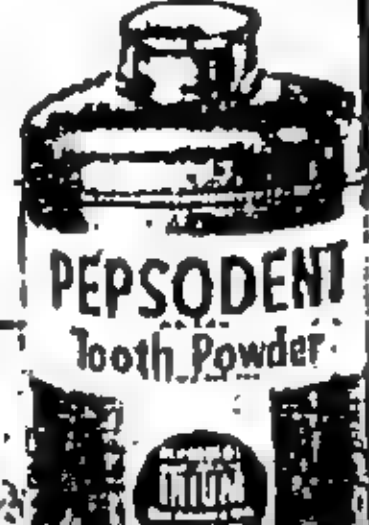
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Where There Is Neither Justice, Open Debate Nor Free Election, There Is No Human Society Will Democracy Triumph?

A Searching Article By H.N. BRAILSFORD

THE sequel to the recent attempt on Hitler's life may throw a good deal of light on the politics of Germany. Since all the deposed kings of the eighteenth century met as Candidates to keep the Carnival in Venice, in its doubtful whether so many persons of the highest distinction have ever been associated in a single enterprise.

Mr. Chamberlain, we are assured, has confessed his guilt, and it is certain that the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Cardinal-Archbishop of Munich, and the ex-Kaiser were among his accomplices.

Subsequent revelations may add to this impressive list. Is it possible that none of the Elders of Zion were concerned in this affair? There is, moreover, a rather general feeling that his well-known modesty may have kept Field-Marshal Goering in the background. He was the artist who staged that celebrated outrage in the Reichstag six years ago. His signature, the connoisseurs tell us, is legible all over this piece.

Monarchist Danger

Justice in Germany is far-sighted and provident. It has already behind locked doors a large assortment of persons whose guilt will subsequently be discovered. They are all monarchists, some of them soldiers, others aristocrats. A good deal has happened since the Reichstag went up in flames.

It is from that quarter, then, that the Nazis look for danger. They have been warned. Mr. Duff Cooper confided to the American Continent that his own prescription for all that is amiss in Germany is a return to monarchy.

He is not an original thinker, and it is a safe guess that he spoke for many of his fellow Tories, and probably for some powerful members of the Cabinet.

The French have been even less reticent. That nation of stout republicans is also in love with monarchy—for Germans. The Press of the Right discourses frequently on this subject, and the Censor, who often reduces political articles on

other subjects to a meaningless mixture of blank spaces and type, allows it free utterance on this great matter. The French wireless is equally convinced of the merits of monarchy—across the Rhine. Indeed, in the French view, a king is such an admirable institution that one can hardly have too many of them. English Tories are more niggardly.

The French plan, in plain words, is to dismember Germany into as many fragments as there were in the eighteenth century, and to give each of them a king.

I should doubt whether monarchist propaganda on these lines is likely to have much success. But doubtless there are, among old-world Prussian squires, and, perhaps, among plous Southern Catholics, survivors of an older generation, who would wish to revive the past. With these the Nazis are dealing in their inimitable way.

Dizzy Career

It is improbable that any large body of Germans desire any change at all. Hitler has had a dizzy career of unbroken success. He has made of an impotent and helpless nation the greatest Power in Europe.

Over the Poles he has just won a swift and brilliant campaign. He has turned into a friend the only possible enemy in the East, and on the West the Allied democracies do not venture to attack him. Why should his people desert him now? Hitler has a bare majority in the last election, which was relatively free; his successes have certainly won over a large part of those who then opposed him. In any event, a nation at war rarely deserts its rulers until they are discredited and defeated.

Most readers, I do not doubt, will resent this douche of cold water. All of us ardently desire a revolution in Germany, and we wish to believe that it is at hand.

The conditions are not yet present. If and when they come, in what direction will the German people turn? To monarchy, to a democratic republic, or to some form of Communism?

I do not know. Much depends on the Allies—on the French as well as ourselves. Much depends on Stalin. But is Germany likely of her own free will to go back to either of the systems under which she suffered so heavily?

Humiliation Of The War

The Empire is associated with a war that ended in loss and humiliation. The Weimar Republic never won respect abroad, and it went down under the world slump.

Neither of these verdicts may be just. There was much good even in the Empire: it had honest courts, an honest Civil Service, a large measure of civil liberty, and it lived at peace through 44 years, in which respect its record was much better than our own.

The Republic failed, as all of us have failed, to tackle the fundamental problem of power: it left both Capital and the old military caste in the saddle. But it had a good record of humane social legislation: it achieved complete political democracy and it was scrupulous towards civil liberty. It failed largely because it had the pacific virtues in excess.

What, then, of the third alternative—some form of Communism? It might come in a spurious shape from above or in a genuine form from below.

There are prophets who say that part of the German General Staff is thinking of imposing "National Bolshevism," by "purging" the great industrialists and the more conservative Nazi leaders. Its aim would be to secure, in this way, the direct help of the Red Army.

Nazis Moving Left

This sounds fantastic, but it is a fact that Nazi propaganda is moving leftwards and reviving all the pseudo-Socialist demagogues of the party's early years. Hitler's last speech at Munich was an effort in this forgotten style.

In war-time, the decisive part of the nation is its manhood under arms. Here the misfortune is that the young men have been thoroughly indoctrinated with the Nazi outlook—its nationalism and its lust for power.

Among the older men, on garrison duty and in reserve, there doubtless are many former Communists and Socialists.

But does a revolution ever come from the older generation? A modern army, moreover, can be dominated by its air force, and that is the last arm that is likely to harbour dangerous thoughts.

The revolution from below might come, none the less, if disaster approached. In 1918, it began in the German Navy. It might come, for example, as the result of a shortage of oil, which would immobilise planes, submarines and tanks. Everything would then

turn on the readiness of the Soviet Union to support the revolution in the ranks.

Revolutionary Impetus

If it should come in this form, we shall confront the gravest problem in our political lives. For the Allies will certainly wish to crush it, if their armies are willing to march for that purpose. Their air arm may be reliable, and with it the African troops of France. But does the revolutionary impetus survive in Stalin's Russia?

There is a force that may be at work, however, for Democracy, in spite of memories of failure.

I am a simple-minded and old-fashioned enough to reckon moral forces even in the brutal world of today. Twice, of late, in meeting Socialist leaders who had come fairly recently from Germany, I was startled by their emphasis on moral values.

Six years of brutality and mendacity had produced their effect. These men had come to understand that the salvation of mankind depended, above all, on a return to truth and humanity. The horrors of Dachau and the degradations of Nazi propaganda had bitten deeply into their minds, and they felt something simple and elementary which cannot be phrased in Marxist formulas.

They saw in democracy much more than a political expedient: they saw in it the means of restoring truth and mercy to human society. To achieve this they were even ready to face some delay in winning Socialism.

The Nazis have had their share in producing this state of mind, but Stalin also has done his part.

Religion

Sans Morality

I am inclined to define Communism as a religion that has discarded

morality. In devotion, self-denial, courage and obedience—in all the religious virtues—Communism surpasses us all. They lessen this power for good by their failure to understand that, without truth, no human society can live.

In Russia they have broken the monstrous power of class and wealth; but they have done it by creating a despotism that allows no man to stand erect. Where there is neither trustworthy justice, open debate, nor free election there is no human society that deserves the name.

Moral Values

The noble qualities that made this party, even under persecution, a mighty force have been ruined by its Jesuitical readiness to justify any means that are used for a good end.

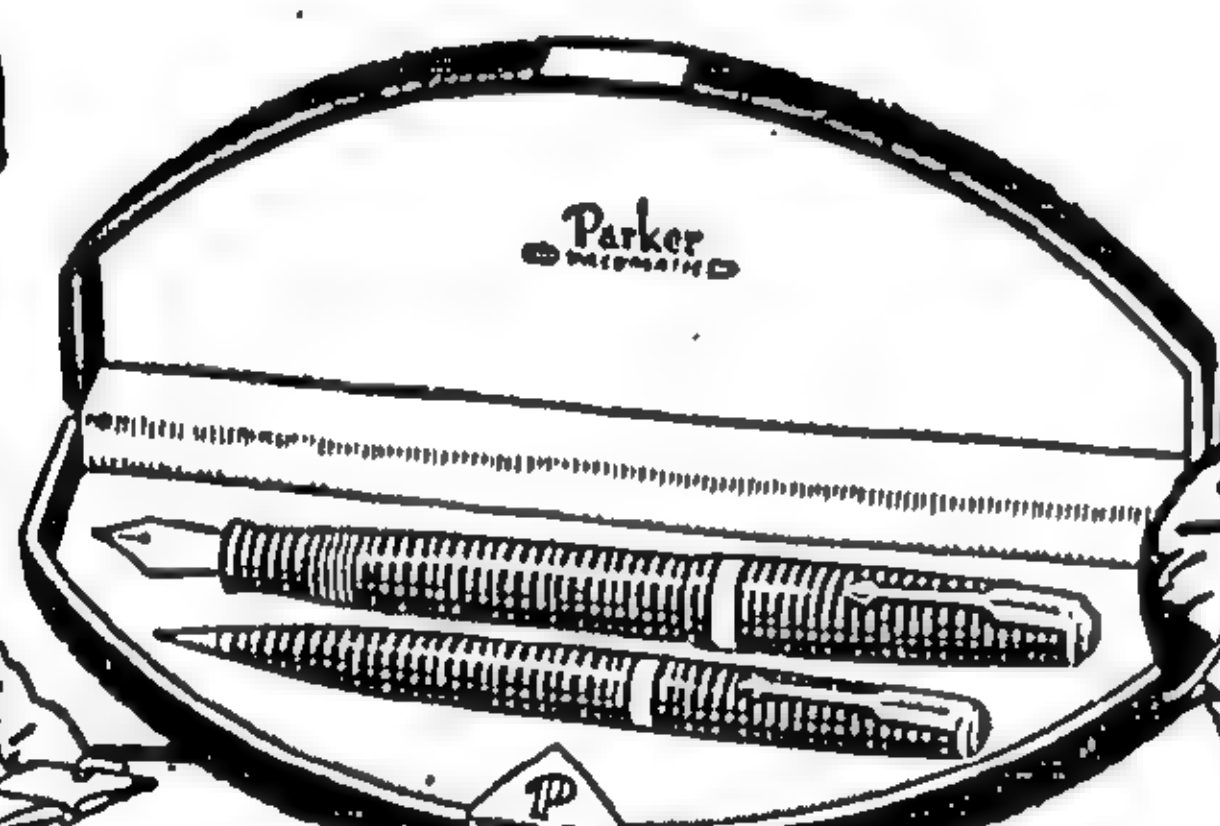
These six years have left their mark on us all. Among the finer and braver minds in Germany I believe they have caused a conscious reaction, a return to the moral values that the Nazis have defied.

It is a return also to the central positions of Western civilisation—a faith in equality, a respect for intellectual integrity, a trust in free discussion, and a resolve to make an end of cruelty. That is Democracy: the rest is machinery.

I think it probable that this reaction, though it can only be silent, may be going on in millions of German minds—but I do not know, and I am on guard against the power of a wish to deceive.

If it be there, then its future lies in our hands. If we, on our side of the Maginot Line, fail to make an end of imperialism and power-politics, Democracy has no future in Germany. (World Copyright Reserved).

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NAZIS DROWNING SORROWS

Antwerp, Yesterday.
The great increase in the consumption of alcohol in Germany since the war started is now beginning seriously to alarm the authorities.

It has been officially announced that if German citizens show that they do not know how to behave themselves in these critical times, the State will have to treat them as they deserve.

In pre-war days, in many smaller towns, official "black lists" were circulated to all publicans.

These gave details of notorious drinkers and it was a punishable offence to serve them.

Since the Nazi Government came to power many habitual drunkards have been sent to concentration camps for "hard work cures."

GENERAL EXCESS

The present wave of excess, however, is so general that any measure taken to stop it would have to be drastic.

It is indicative of present conditions that a serious-minded newspaper like the "Frankfurter Zeitung," should publish a large advertisement for champagne with the text: "Even in grave times keep up your spirits."

Except one for Krupp's steel there are no other displayed advertisements in the paper, which rarely likes to carry much advertising matter of this nature.

Up to a dozen advertisements for beauticians and "table girls," who must invariably be "young and good-looking and with a good wardrobe," appear in the West German daily paper alone.—Our Own Correspondent.

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ADVENTURES IN NO MAN'S LAND

(From A Special Correspondent)

With the French Army at the Front, Yesterday, I have just come in with one of the patrols whose night-long work gives the cryptic "Patrols were active" communiqués of the French G.H.Q.

Rain was falling fast. Despite low visibility, a distant hum showed that scout planes were about. The forest track was deep in mud, and the officer guide and myself found it heavy going.

A turn in the track and we came to a bank against which had been erected a lean-to hut. There I found myself shaking hands with a bearded officer, who laughed at my surprise and addressed me by my christian name. And then only did I recognise him as one of the best-known Parisian journalists.

A few minutes later we were ploughing on to visit advanced posts. "Here we have to be careful," said my guide, "for the Germans keep sending out patrols. We had a fighting patrol out last night; as there was firing the enemy must have stumbled against them. They are due back now. They often go miles without finding the enemy, and they are often out for eight hours or more."

"The track wound down a slope like a muddy watercourse, and there was a sudden challenge. My friend gave the password, but it was not until I was within a few feet of the post that I could see the men, they had camouflaged themselves so completely."

SENTRY'S SIGNAL

The sergeant put a warning finger to his mouth and whispered to an officer. I slithered into the trench and the captain whispered:

"The advance sentry has signalled that a party of men are moving in this direction. They are probably our own patrols; but we are keeping quiet."

Twenty minutes later seven strangely accoutred men came up with twigs and leaves fixed all over their uniforms.

In front was walking a red-haired German officer in field grey and top boots—a prize for the French intelligence service.

Patrols had been active.



Taken at a Ministry of Supply Experimental station where all ammunition from the largest Naval shell downwards has to be proved. Large stretches of sand afford facilities and shells are recovered from the sea after the tide has receded. (Copyright, Fox).

THE PAY CORPS ARE PUZZLED

The Army Pay Corps in France are worried—they know there are officers in France who have not been paid, but they cannot find out who they are.

Reason is that they are not "on official records," either because they were sent out in a hurry or are on secret missions.

But the officers aren't worried. They are unduly—they can draw advance pay from field cashiers.

XMAS NOTES

London, Yesterday.

Civilians with relatives in belligerent countries will be able to send them family messages of not more than 20 words through the International Red Cross Committee at Geneva. Arrangements for this have been made through the Allied and German censors.—Reuter.

CANADIAN SAILED AS TRAITOR

Regina (Saskatchewan), Yesterday.

Max Stepp, 35-year-old Regina farmer who is alleged to have offered the Nazis plans of an "aerial torpedo" which he is said to have invented, has been sentenced to 12 months' hard labour for attempting to communicate with the enemy.

"Mounties" gave evidence of intercepting a letter which Stepp had addressed to "Hans and Roeder, Berlin, W.15, Germany," describing his invention and expressing the hope that it would help a German victory. A search of Stepp's room, they said, revealed drawings of the torpedo.

BISHOP DEPLORES "UNWED WIFE"

London, Yesterday.

The Bishop of Ely, Dr. Bernard Heywood, is dismayed at what he described as "indirect inducements to sin" offered to members of the Forces.

Addressing Ely Diocesan Conference at Cambridge, he said:—

"I have before me a form, issued by authority, which actually uses the strange term 'unmarried wives.' It seems almost to give official sanction to such irregular unions as that term implies."

GRIEVOUS FACT

"Not less grievous is the fact, which has, I know, caused acute distress and indignation to some mothers of young soldiers, that in certain places prophylactics and instructions in their use have been offered to men."

"This action involves what I feel to be a cruel and libellous implication that these young men cannot be expected to live clean."

"Woe to those, whoever they be, who may thus cause others to offend; woe, lest they bring on England not a blessing but a curse."—Our Own Correspondent.

CRACK U.S. PLANES FOR ALLIES

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Los Angeles, Yesterday.

Fighter planes capable of 460 m.p.h., and bombers with a speed and range far greater than any now in use are being manufactured in the United States for Britain and France, it was revealed to-day by Los Angeles aircraft designers.

They include the hitherto secret Lockheed twin-engined interceptor pursuit plane, whose maximum speed approaches 500 m.p.h., and the bullet nosed, single-engined, low-wing Vulture interceptor, capable of 400 m.p.h. and reported to be exceptionally manoeuvrable.

The State Department in Washington has issued an analysis of the "cash and carry" section of the United States neutrality law which has been puzzling manufacturers ever since the embargo on arms export was eased.

Warplanes can be flown by U.S. pilots only as far as the border, from where they must be embarked in a ship or, at the Canadian border, pushed or pulled over the line. They must not cross the border under their own power.—Havas.



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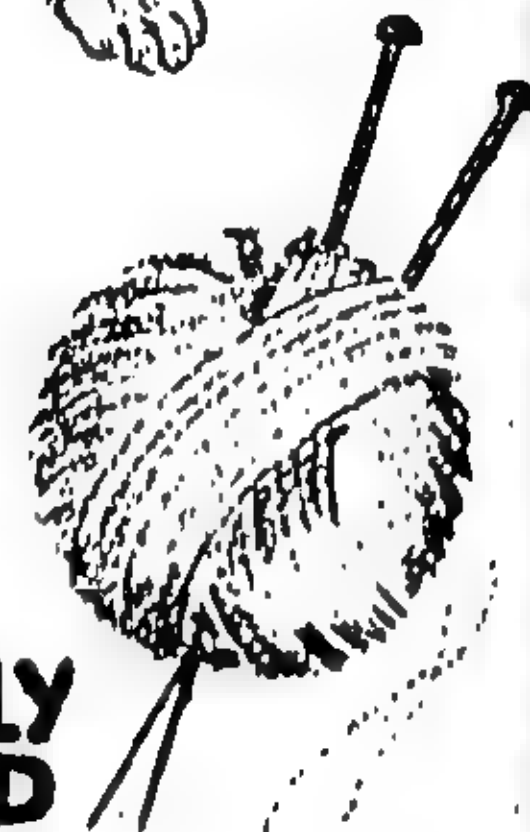
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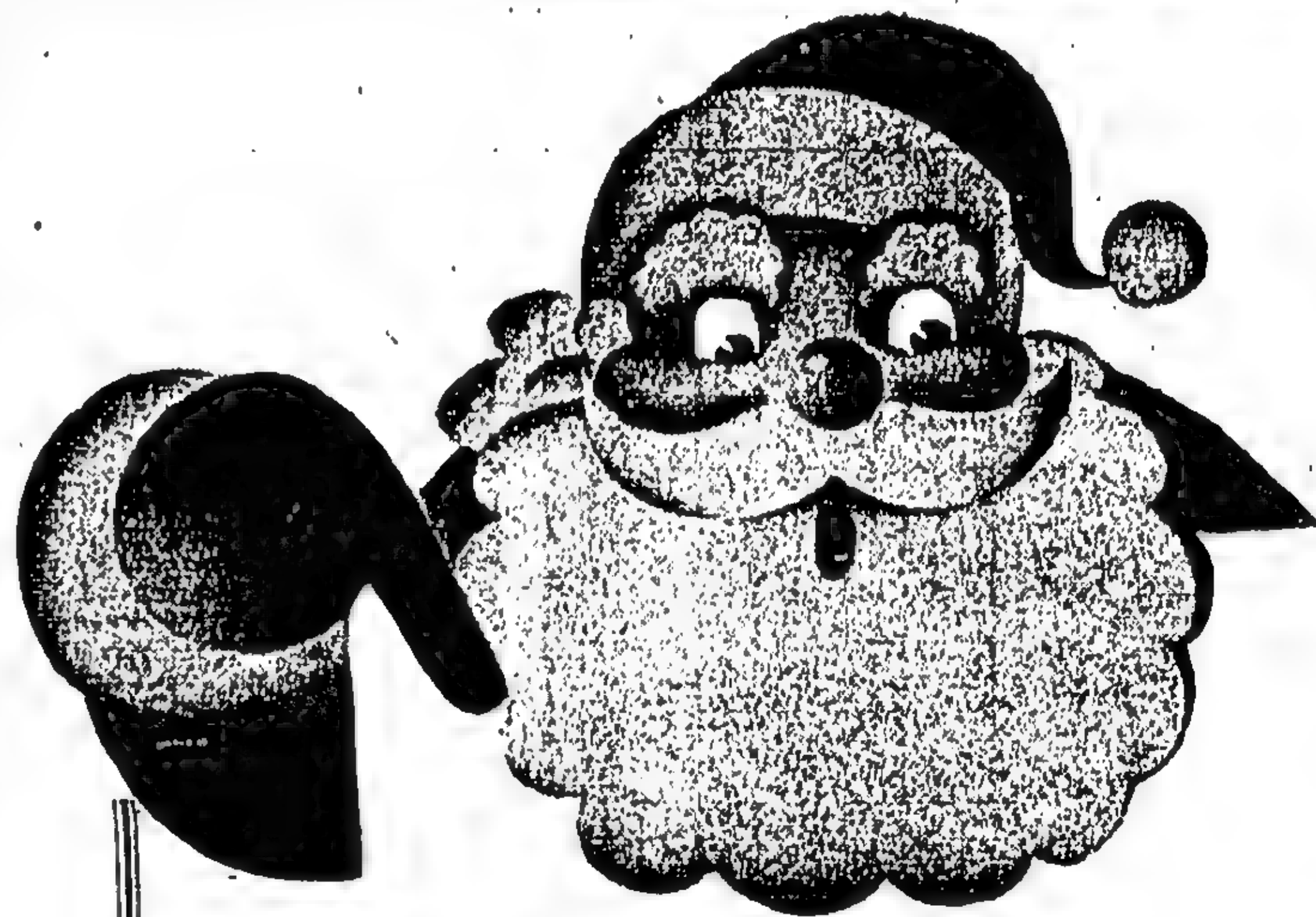
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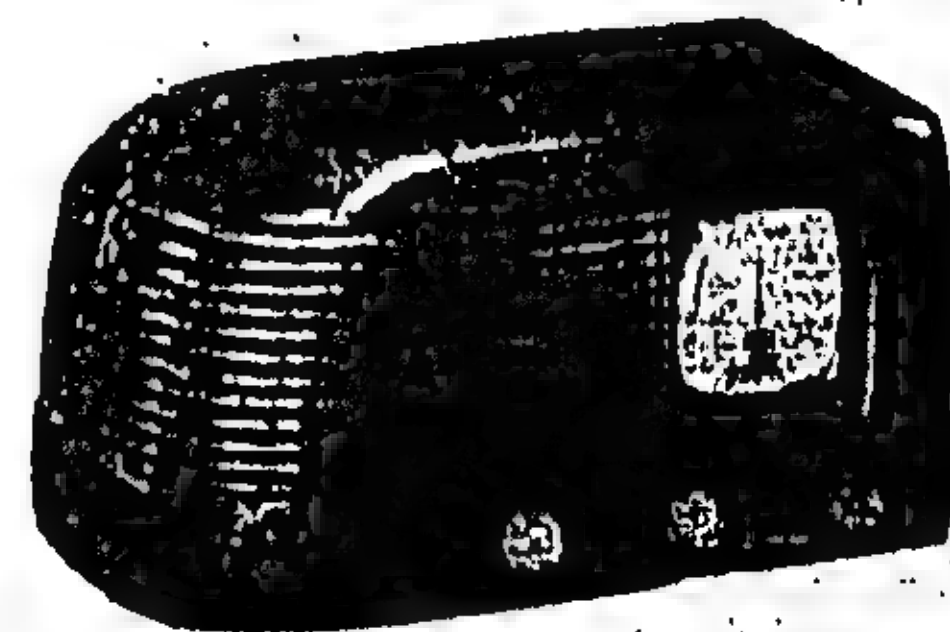
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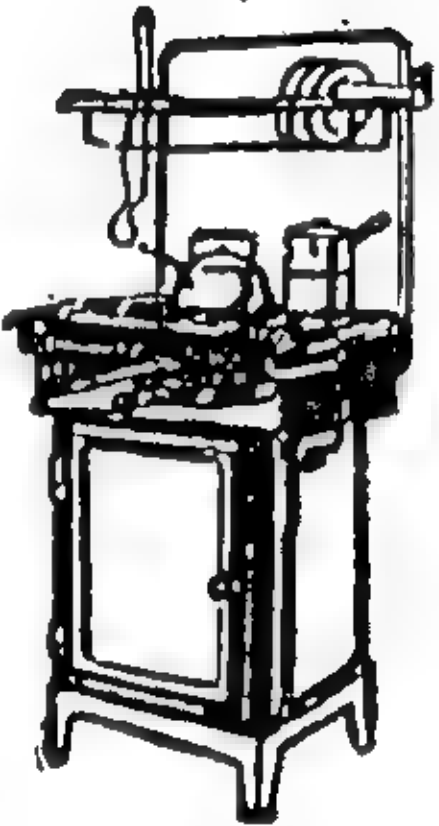
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Can Switzerland
Defend Herself?

IS Switzerland in a position to oppose a successful defence in the event of one of her neighbours breaking its solemn promise to respect the voluntary and indivisible neutrality of the Swiss Federation? Can she resist if Germany, notwithstanding the Swiss watch on the frontier, or the impossibility of a surprise operation, attempt to force a way through in order to fall upon the Allied flank? Can this tiny people of 4,200,000 souls stand against the twenty-fold numerical superiority of Germany? This is a question upon which the minds of all European military and government authorities.

Switzerland may have a small population, but the fate has endowed her with a formidable natural defence. Three-quarters of the country consist of mountains up to and above 12,000 feet. Mountains bar the way from Austria into Eastern Switzerland and in the west the Jura—a mountain chain nearly 200 miles long and up to 5,500 feet high—bars the way to a French invasion. The Alps constitute a natural base for a tank operation or an invasion from the north. However, it is not only the high mountains but also the approaches to the high passes and even the plains themselves which constitute a considerable difficulty for the untrained soldier and inexperienced mountaineer. Here, not the road, but the protection of his flank by an enemy forced by circumstances to slow down his advance is the decisive factor. The troops stumble over the rolling slopes of the moraine and the pitched battle degenerates into the difficult and dangerous guerrilla of the mountains. In the event of a frontal attack against their mountain fortress, the Swiss would defend every inch of their territory. But in regions where the great alpine giants menace the flanks of the enemy, the mobile detachments of the Swiss Army will be called upon to harry the flanks of the enemy, to scatter his outlying troops and to destroy his rear guard. This is where the danger begins for the invader.

TEN LINES OF DEFENCE
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

An army invading Switzerland in the region of Constance would be faced between the south bank of the lake and the curve of the Rhine with the first organised Swiss line of defence. The mountains from Stahel-Buck to the Nieselsberg and the Hosenrueck-Nollen are of great strategic importance for the defensive system of the Swiss Army. Any attempt to invade to the east of the lake between Rorschach and Altdorf, through the Rhine and Sitter angle, would encounter a region of pre-alpine character. Here the forests of St. Gall in the valley of the Rhine form an obstacle which would enable the Swiss to hold up a German offensive at the very frontier. The further to the south the offensive, whether through violation of the Principality of Liechtenstein or across the former Austrian frontier, the higher the mountain barrier, the more difficult a flank offensive against Switzerland.

The valleys of the Thur and Murg, protected to the west by mountains whose highest peaks, the Speer and the Hornli, are 6000 feet high, form a second natural fortress as far as Frauenfeld against an advance from the northeast to southwestern Switzerland. Behind them is the deep cleft of the Toesa, with its numerous tributaries which carve into the country, continuing the line of defence from the Zurich highlands to the Rhine.

The greater the enemy advance into the country, the more insurmountable the difficulties in his way. The interior of Switzerland is a literal network of natural obstacles. Even in the event of a successful invasion, the enemy would finally encounter the strongest defensive barrier of all—the line from the Linth to the mouth of the Aar. In its upper reaches from the Glarus Alps this line would compel the aggressor to undertake the most difficult campaign of all—in the High Alps—as far as the Lake of Zurich, which constitutes an impassable obstacle 15 miles long. This natural line, which covers the rear of the Swiss Army, with the spurs of the Uriberg and the Albis to the northwest, would permit of the concentration of practically the whole of the Swiss forces in the short sector extending from Zurich to Baden to the bridgehead of Coblenz-Waldshut, where the Aar flows into the Rhine. The possibility of concentrating ten Swiss soldiers per yard in this sector makes the wrecking of this barrier improbable, even in the event of a long war.

The fourth natural line of defence, following the gorge of the Reuss to where it ends in the Aar, is just as solid. Running due north from the 10,000 foot high mountain system of the St. Gotthard, this traditional key position and centre of Switzerland's defensive organisation has been transformed into a fort which could resist for years. Subterranean casemates cut deep into the rock and protected by rock walls 600 feet thick, are impervious to air or artillery bombardment. The fort has its own power stations, waterworks, enormous stocks of victuals and ammunition, and automatically-operated batteries. It cannot be stormed by a frontal attack. A further protection to the north is the great Lake of

Lucerne, with its wild and grandiose scenery and high mountains. Lower down, the forests of the Lidenberg afford opportunities for an obstinate resistance, as offered in similar regions during the last world war.

Further west, south and north of Olten, the enemy would encounter the obstacle of Napf Hauenstein, a mountain labyrinth which, with its valleys, gorges and caves, is an uncharted region for anyone not knowing the country. A mountain gradient of 45 degrees is a dangerous undertaking for the German troops, who are trained to cope with gradients of barely 30 degrees.

From Hohgant to the Bucheggberg lies the Emmental—a similar chaos of mountains and valleys and also useful for defensive purposes. If anyone tends to underestimate these lower mountain ranges, he should call to mind the obstinate fighting in the Tuerel Mountains during the Spanish War, or the skirmishes in the Vosges and Transylvania, where the defenders held out for years during the last world war. Each of these mountain systems extends over 12-20 miles. The atmospheric conditions of Switzerland make the cross a very dangerous business.

And even if an enemy succeeded in passing through all these lines, he would still have the Aar defence to cope with. This line begins in the high glaciers of the Belpberg and the Gurten, as far as Berne, passes through the forests of Bremgarten and ends in the slope of the Grand Murs.

And if this seventh line of defence were crossed, the invader would

By Herbert Kell

Swiss Military
Expert

encounter a further barrier running from north to south. This begins at Grand-Eau, continues with the Moossee Peak, follows the Saane and the Sarine and is the last important defensive system of Western Switzerland. Near the Lake of Blonne it connects with another line, Blenne-Neuchatel-Thiale, as far as Orbe at the foot of the Jura, which constitutes with the Jura the last great line of defence against and towards France.

MOUNTAIN WARFARE NO JOKE

An invader intending to cross through Switzerland has to reckon with two enemies, a people resolved to defend their country to the last gasp, and nature. The higher he climbs on to this 12,000 foot high roof of Europe, the greater the defence opposed by nature.

Mountains alone are sufficient to delay an advance. The roads cannot be used by mass formations—in some regions they cannot be used at all for military purposes. The mountains canalise movement. They force the motor units and even the pack animals of the invader into a small and limited number of passes, which a skilful defence can easily put out of commission. A turning operation is difficult, the mountains compel the enemy to resort to a frontal attack.

The sole arm which can and must pass these natural barriers is the infantry. But here the decisive factor is the better mountaineer, who knows the roads and even the unmapped passes, the hidden approaches to otherwise unattainable summits—who can cover a large tract of country with the minimum of weapons. An unpractised climber can never reach these heights.

The Swiss is a climber from his childhood. He is early trained to know his country. He must also pass a difficult apprenticeship in marching and climbing. Only when hardened by long marches in heat, mist and snow, does the young Swiss receive permission to attack the mountains. But marching and climbing are not enough, one must be able to live day and night on the mountains, sometimes for many months, to suffer from heat, hunger and thirst, to endure cold and snow. Trenches must be dug and shelters built under the ice.

Nature has always been Switzerland's ally. There are numerous instances of this in Swiss history. Hannibal was not the only commander who lost half his army when he crossed the Alps. General Souvarov, commander of the Austro-Russian invading armies, endeavoured in 1799 to cross the 6300 feet high Kinzig, coming from the Gotthard. This march is regarded in Switzerland as absolutely without danger. But Souvarov lost one-fifth of his troops without fighting a single battle. Exhausted by the mountains, he was defeated in the battle of Zurich and lost the whole campaign. In the Dolomites, as revealed in the Italian Parliament, Italy lost 200,000 men in the campaign of 1916-17; exhausted and killed by avalanches, snowstorms and a temperature which her unpractised troops were unable to withstand.

It is very easy to block mechanised

troops in the mountains. A hidden mine, a fallen tree-trunk, a few rocks and even a capsize tank are sufficient to hold up an invader for hours on the Swiss mountain roads. To retreat and redistribute the troops is impossible. In such a position, the enemy columns offer a good target for planes and machine guns, whilst the invader can make use of his motor vehicles to call up his reserves.

MOUNTAIN WEAPONS ALSO
DEMAND SPECIAL TRAINING

Not only do the mountains complicate troop movements, they also demand special training in the use of weapons.

The extremely clear atmosphere of the mountains increases the artillery range by one-third. The regulation and rectification dials of the enemy guns, designed for the plains, must be re-set for the mountains. This is detrimental to accuracy. Heavy artillery cannot be hoisted to the dominant positions. Light artillery causes little damage to defences which are quarried in rock, they merely scratch the granite. The Swiss have built special mountain guns, adapted to the conditions of the country. They are transported in three or four parts by mules and men to the highest summits. There are also cable railways to many important positions. They are used for the transport of ammunition and foodstuffs to the higher posts and offer a bad target for planes and guns. Observation and liaison in the mountains is one of the most difficult tasks, both for the Command and for the men. Absolute knowledge of the mountains is the preliminary condition for every artillery patrol. Mist and snow reduce visibility and also accuracy of aim. To command batteries and to train gunners there is a special mountain school, which has long been a speciality of the Swiss Army.

These are all conditions to the advantage of the defender. But there is another. For him the light or heavy machine-gun is the ideal weapon. With it he can easily block the roads and sweep the valleys with cross fire.

Even for the infantryman, the normal use of his rifle is difficult in these regions. The invader is in an unfavourable position as regards supplies and many men are necessary in order to transport ammunition and food. Then again, the efficacy of the fire suffers. Only a practised mountain marksman can achieve the same success as in the plain. The Swiss are well aware of this fact.

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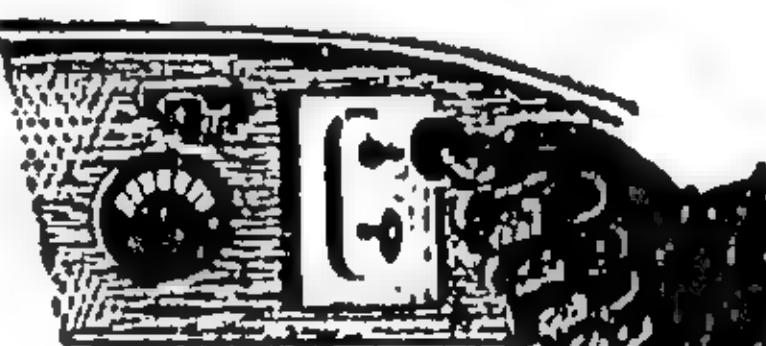
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**HERTZOG
FORMS NEW
PARTY**

Pretoria, Yesterday.
The followers of General Hertzog have formed a new party, the Volkspartei, or "People's Party." The party hopes later to combine with the Nationalists to form the "Nasionale Volkspartei."—Reuter.

**BRITISH
DELEGATES
IN GENEVA**

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
IT IS LEARNED IN OFFICIAL QUARTERS HERE THAT THE BRITISH DELEGATION TO GENEVA REACHED PARIS BY AIR EARLY YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AND PROCEEDED TO GENEVA LATER BY TRAIN, WHERE THEY ARE ARRIVING EARLY THIS MORNING.

While in Paris Mr. R. A. Butler, head of the delegation, with the Duke of Devonshire, called at the Quai d'Orsay and had a long conversation with M. Paul Boncour and M. Chamberlain, the French delegates, who are also proceeding to Geneva.

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EMPIRE: INDIA'S GIFTS**

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The most recent examples come from India, where specific war contributions received by the Viceroy are coming from all classes of Indian society.

The following contributions appear in the latest list received from India:—

The Maharaja of Sonpur, 10,000 rupees towards an ambulance; the Maharaja of Surguja, a motor ambulance, and the Nawab of Rampur, motor ambulances to the value of one lakh of rupees, or £7,500.

The ex-Maharaja of Indore has placed his French estate at the disposal of the French military authorities, and the Maharaja of Gondal has given one lakh of rupees to be distributed among the dependents of those who lost their lives in the sinking of the Royal Oak.

The Jara of Bonal has offered all his resources in manganese, timber and lac; a leading agriculturist, Sultan Ahmed Zaidar, has offered a large consignment of potatoes, onions and eggs; Mr. Chacko Pothan, of Travancore, 500 lbs. of tea for the use of the fighting forces; an anonymous government official is giving 40 rupees monthly.

JOHANNESBURG GIFT.
An anonymous Johannesburg business man yesterday made a gift of £1,200 to the British Red Cross Society for the purchase of two ambulances and equipment.

This brings the total number of ambulances purchased from funds subscribed in South Africa up to seven.

From Cyprus, it is reported, crowds of young men are still being recruited for the fighting forces.

In Basra, a port of Iraq, prominent members of the small British community have started a war fund.

A first cheque for £400 has been sent to the British Ambassador in

Bagdad with the suggestion that it should be forwarded to the King to bestow as he thinks best.

And finally, a gift of £24 has been received from a small African tribe in the Matobo district near Bulawayo, Rhodesia.

The money is "to assist in the war against Germany and is to be put to whatever use the King may think fit."

The tribe is governed by one of the most progressive native rulers in the district, Chief Nierala, who was awarded the Coronation Medal for his services to his people.—British Wireless.

**U.S. AND
BRITAIN'S
REPRISALS**

London, Yesterday.
In connexion with the decision embodied in the reprisals Order in Council of November 28 to seize German exports in neutral ships, regarding which representations have been received from a number of neutral Governments, the United States Government has now delivered in London a Note which is being studied by the British Government.—British Wireless.

London, Yesterday.
The Foreign Office has been given an official communication by the U.S. Charge d'Affaires requesting that the seizure of German exports should not interfere with the legitimate interests of American trade, and reserves all rights should these be infringed.—Reuter.

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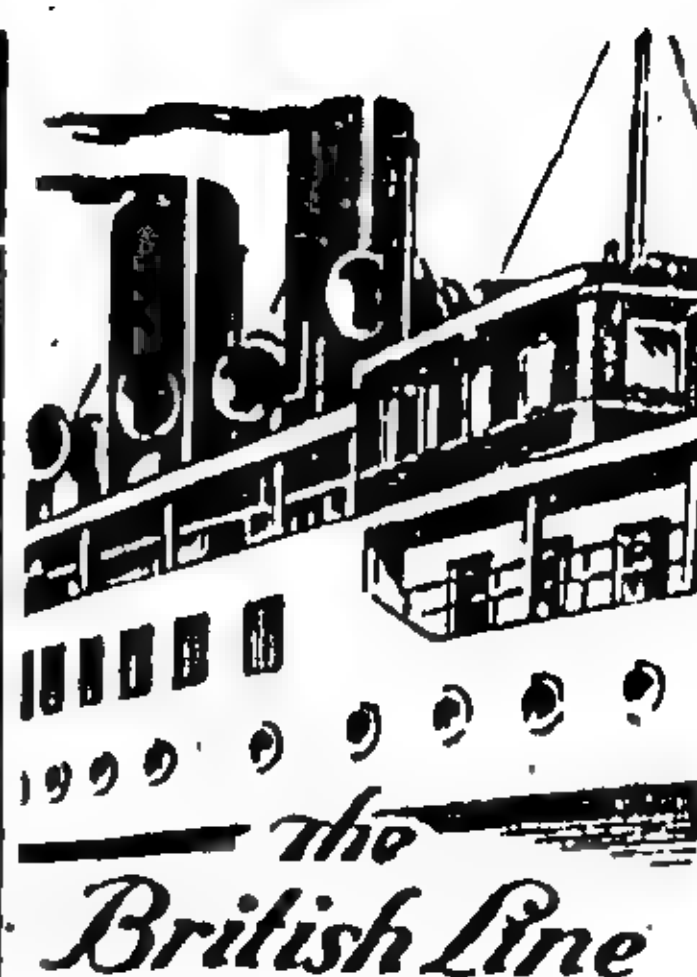
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K.C.C. CONCERT

The first Kowloon Cricket Club smoking concert of the season was held on Friday evening.

During the interval the vice-president, Mr. Ezra Abraham, announced that a collection for the Cigarette Fund for the British Services in France had realised \$130.

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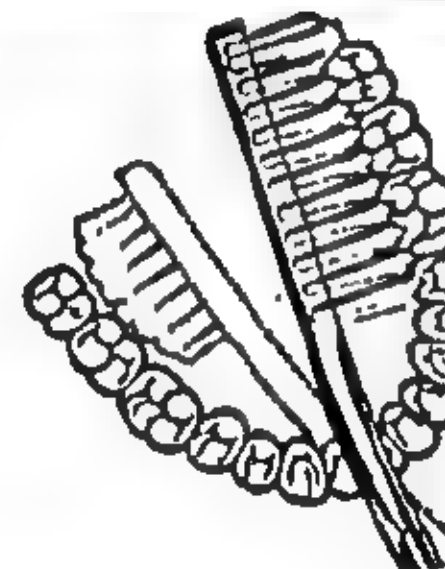
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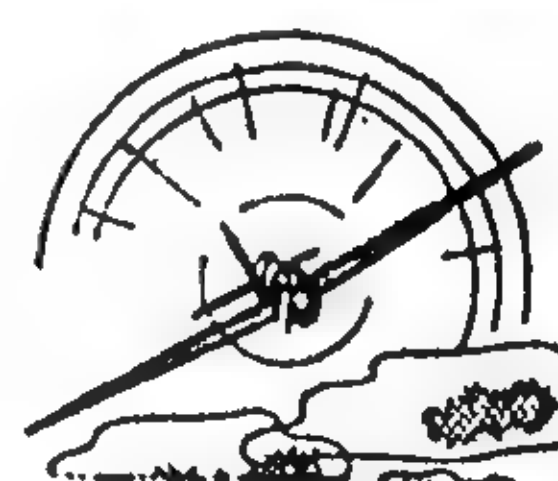
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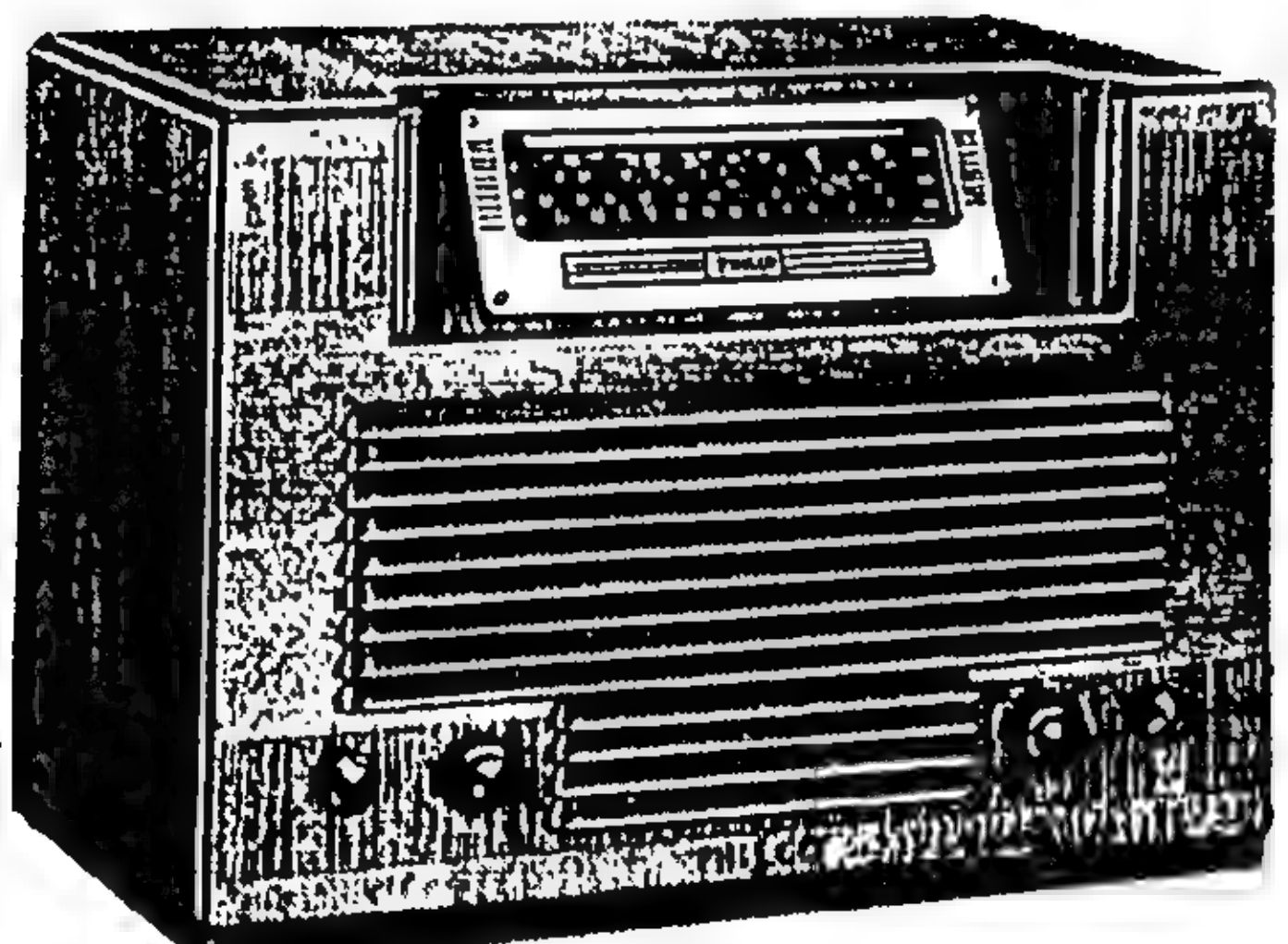
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GREEN 6 FOR 8

At Soekunpoo, Royal Army Medical Corps beat 6th A.A. Regiment Royal Artillery, by 6 wickets in a friendly match.

Green's 7 for 29 included one spell of

O. M. R. W.

4 1 3 0

Patterson, who hit seven boundaries in his 46 not out, and Dunne added 66 in a match-winning fifth wicket stand.

6TH A. A. REGT. R. A.

Bdr. McCumley, b. Dunne, b. 11

Gnr. Whitaker, c. Newton, b. 12

Dunne, b. Green, b. 13

Gnr. Harshy, b. Green, b. 14

Gnr. Chaplin, b. Green, b. 15

Gnr. Dobbinson, not out, b. 16

Bdr. Ames, b. Green, b. 17

Gnr. Carey, b. Patterson, b. 18

Gnr. Martin, b. Green, b. 19

Gnr. Manley, b. Green, b. 20

Gnr. Ellsworth, b. Green, b. 21

Gnr. McIntyre, b. Webb, b. 22

Extras (B2, LB12) 12

Total 61

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Green 7 1 29 7

Dunne 5 0 30 2

Webb 1 0 7 1

O. M. S. Patterson, not out, 46

Cpl. Webb, c. and b. Barshy, 12

Cpl. Mussen, run out, 12

Sgt. Sherbourne, b. Chaplin, 9

Mr. Dixon, b. Chaplin, 6

Pte. Dunne, c. Chaplin, b. 19

Dobbinson, b. Whitaker, 10

Pte. Bennett, b. Whitaker, 10

Q. M. S. Green, c. McCumley, b. 17

Whitaker, b. 17

Extras (W1, B10) 17

Total (for 7 wks.) 101

Cpl. Watt, Cpl. Newton and Pte. Workman did not bat.

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Harshy 1 32 1

Chaplin 5 0 17 2

Dobbinson 5 0 24 1

Whitaker 5 0 14 2

LADIES' TENNIS

Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Churchill entered the Second Round of the Colony Ladies' Doubles lawn tennis championship on Friday when they beat Miss Barker and Miss Stoker 6-4, 6-2.

No first Round Singles matches have yet been played and, we understand, these have to be played on or before Thursday next.

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BOYS' FOOTBALL

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A group of young sportsmen have very generously devoted their spare time to the coaching of much younger Peaktites in the finer points of Association football, and the first result of their labours is keenly awaited by coaches and parents, though it must be borne in mind that the youngsters have not yet had the opportunity of playing on a very large-sized pitch.

LIM RUN OUT AT 47

At the Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club beat Civil Service Cricket Club by 14 runs.

Lim hit eight boundaries in his 47, scored out of 44, and following his dismissal six wickets fell for 44 runs.

Perry's 3 for 32 included 3 for 0 at one stage.

Hollidge, 29 out of 47, and Perry, 21 out of 47, added 30 for the 4th wicket, but thereafter six wickets fell for 36 runs.

C.C.C.

11. P. Lim, run out, 47

E. A. Lee, b. McClellan, 1

F. R. Zimmerman, b. McClellan, 6

J. L. Youngs, c. Lawrence, b. 2

Whitely, b. 2

A. J. Hulke, b. McClellan, 2

E. Zimmerman, c. Hollidge, b. 12

Perry, b. 12

A. K. Ismail, c. Perry, b. 8

A. B. Hanson, b. Perry, b. 8

A. R. H. Esmail, c. Barrow, b. 0

McClellan, b. 1

W. Hong Sing, not out, 12

G. Winch, b. Whitely, 13

Extras (B5, LB7, NB1) 13

Total 100

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Perry 11 1 32 3

McClellan 5 2 20 4

Whitely 7 2 0 2

Fenton 0 17 0

McClellan bowled one no-ball.

C.C.C.

J. F. Richardson, c. Hanson, b. 10

F. Zimmerman, b. 10

T. V. Fortescue, b. F. Zimmerman, 28

J. Hollidge, c. Youngs, b. A. K. Ismail, 28

W. H. Collidge, b. A. K. Ismail, 6

A. E. Perry, c. Ismail, b. F. Zimmerman, 21

D. McClellan, c. E. Zimmerman, b. 2

Winch, b. 2

F. E. Lawrence, b. Winch, 7

J. Barrow, b. F. Zimmerman, 7

V. C. Bond, run out, 7

N. Whitley, c. Sing, b. Ismail, 1

J. Fenton, not out, 11

Extras (B11) 11

Total 94

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

F. R. Zimmerman 10 4 52 4

Winch 6 1 18 3

Ismail 6 0 12 3

Hulke 1 0 3 0

Extras (B11) 11

Total 150

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Tegg 8 1 40 1

Soares 7 0 43 0

Singh 6 2 40 6

Mahmood 7 1 24 3

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K. T. Loke, c. M. el Arculli, b. 0

A. H. Madar, b. Singh, 18

C. N. Mathews, c. Baker, b. M. 18

P. Madar, b. Singh, 20

W. S. Gegg, c. Ismail, b. Arculli, 25

F. Tsui, b. Khana, 11

Son Gustin, not out, 11

N. Singh, c. M. P. Madar, b. 15

Khana, b. M. P. Madar, 11

K. L. not out, 1

Extras (B1) 1

Total 111

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Mint 4 2 17 0

A. H. Madar 4 2 6 1

Baker 3 0 9 0

Arculli 4 0 28 1

M. P. Madar 3 0 20 2

Khana 3 0 20 2

M. P. Madar 3 0 16 2

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BALDWIN 5 FOR 12

At Cox's Road, Knowlton Cricket Club 2nd XI beat Royal Air Force by 6 wickets in a friendly match yesterday.

Baldwin (5 for 12) took his last four wickets for 5 runs in 1.1 overs.

Mulcahy hit nine boundaries in his 57, scored out 53, and took part in an opening stand of 52 with F. J. Lay.

R.A.F.

W. G. New, c. Baldwin, b. Mills, 20

J. H. Nancarrow, c. B. Lay, b. 11

A. R. Pulling, b. Mills, b. 11

T. Waddington, b. Mills, b. 11

C. King, b. Baldwin, 10

T. Lillie, c. B. Lay, b. Baldwin, 4

W. Gillespie, c. and b. Curtis, 4

F. Harrison, b. Baldwin, 6

L. Goodwin, c. Mills, b. Baldwin, 6

R. Mason, b. Baldwin, 6

W. Rix, not out, 6

Extras (B6) 6

Total 74

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Simpson 5 0 18 1

Curtis 9 2 18 2

Baldwin 6 1 12 5

Mills 2 0 20 2

K.C.C. 2ND XI

W. Mulcahy, retired, 57

F. J. Lay, c. Nancarrow, b. New, 23

B. D. Lay, b. Nancarrow, 23

G. A. V. Hall, c. and b. Nancarrow, 1

A. Gray, b. New, 1

R. Baldwin, run out, 1

C. Walker, b. Waddington, 1

R. A. J. Simpson, c. Lillie, b. 3

Waddington, b. 3

F. Green, b. King, 11

K. Gillespie, b. 6

J. Mills, not out, 6

Extras (B3, NB1) 6

Total 129

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Gillespie 6 30 1

Waddington 5 0 21 2

Nancarrow 5 0 27 2

New 5 0 25 2

King 4 0 3 1

C.S.C.C. JUNIORS BEATEN

At the Valley, Craigengower Cricket Club 2nd XI beat Civil Service Cricket Club juniors by 5 wickets.

C.S.C.C. 2ND XI

C. J. Attwell, b. Omar, 8

F. Harper, b. Omar, 8

T. Alsie, c. N. Broadbridge, b. 53

I. Rance, b. Omar, 9

V. A. Wight, b. Omar, 9

B. Luckie, c. Reynolds, b. Esmail, 4

H. V. Lockhart, played on, b. 4

T. E. Strang, c. Esmail, 5

G. Stone, played on, b. I. Rance, 4

D. Crawley, b. Omar, 4

R. Lawrence, b. Omar, 4

Extras (B17, LB8) 25

Total 122

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Omar 10 2 29 5

C. W. Lam, 4 0 10 0

Harper 6 1 18 3

I. Rance 6 5 1 20 3

C.C.C. 2ND XI

A. H. Esmail, c. Wight, b. Robert, 21

A. Rance, c. Harper, b. Luckie, 21

N. Broadbridge, not out, 02

J. W. Leonard, c. and b. Luckie, 13

T. Locke, b. Attwell, 20

B. R. I. Rance, run out, 0

C. W. Lam, not out, 1

Extras (B4, LB2) 0

Total 124

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Robertson 8 0 35 2

Buckie 8 0 35 2

Alsie 2 0 5 0

Stone 2 0 10 0

Attwell 3 0 31 1

Total 102

Bowling Analysis

O. M. R. W.

Dow 7 0 30 3

Stoker 8 4 0 24 4

Robb 3 0 20 0

Parsons 2 0 16 3

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI

H. J. Armstrong, b. Pope, 1

A. K. Mackenzie, b. Hunter, 1

R. S. W. Patterson, b. Pope, 0

C. Blaker, b. Hunter, 0

B. T. McCord, b. W. Hunter, 11

C. W. E. Bishop, c. Danbrowsky, 9

E. J. R. Mitchell, c. Loughlin, b. 20

D. O. Parsons, b. W. Hunter, 22

D. S. Robb, c. W. Hunter, b. 6

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lan)... Richard Tauber (Tenor)
with Orchestra.
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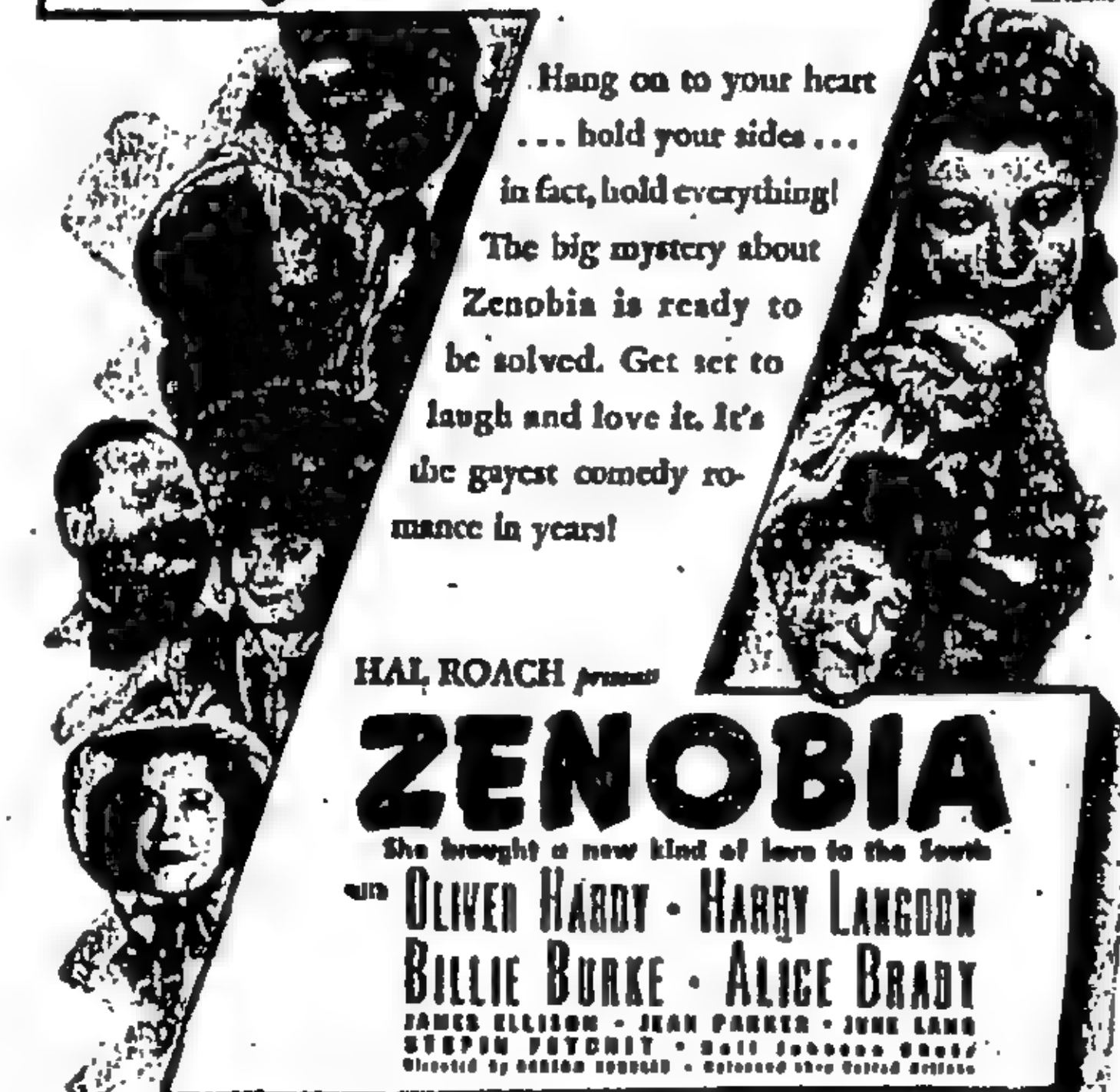
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Kwong Wah Forwards Falter Badly

POLICE RATTLE THE CLUB

At Boundary Road, Police gained a well deserved victory over Club, whom they defeated by the narrow margin of 3 goals to 2.

The result, however, does not reflect the true run of play. Police were far the better balanced team, and completely routed their opponents throughout the game, Club being compelled to play almost entirely on the defensive. Police forwards were outstanding throughout, their speed and combination leaving the Club defence spread-eagled.

The Police forward line gave an outstanding performance. They worked in perfect co-ordination, the wingers giving the inside forwards ample opportunities to score, and the Club goal was subjected to constant bombardment throughout. Blackburn and Chan Kwong-yee played admirably as backs, and only rarely did the Club forwards manage to break through their combination. Odell played well in goal for Club, and made a number of spectacular saves, particularly in the latter half.

Lodge opened the score for the Club, and they were able to retain this one goal lead until after the interval. Within the first five minutes a penalty was awarded against Club, and Ferrer scored with a ground shot. This was quickly followed by another goal for Club, Bond scoring a good pass to Scott, who finished in a terrific close-range shot and McIlroy fumbled for Scott to follow up and net. Police levelled the score through Johnson, who scored after the ball had rebounded from the post following a shot by Wang Man-kwai. Ten minutes before the close of play Howlett headed the ball into the net from a corner kick to score the winning goal.

KUMAONS LOSE

Although beaten by the decisive margin of 5-2, Kumaons gave a plucky display and 12th Heavy Battery had to fight hard for their 5-2 win at Stanley.

Odell and Miller, in the Gunners' half-back line, were conspicuous throughout and Freer and Faith were about the best of a thrustful forward line. For Kumaons, Kihnan, centre-half, ably supported by Tomlinson, worked like a Trojan, while the speedy Farling on the left wing always needed very careful watching.

CHAMPIONS PLAY WELL BELOW BEST FORM BUT WIN BY THREE GOALS

KWONG Wah made two changes in their line-up and the result did not noticeably improve the team, and South China "A", senior League football champions, won an uninteresting match by three clear goals.

Police were worth a bigger win than 3-2 over Club and Middlesex were again unfortunate, Eastern being completely outplayed and yet securing a point.

Ordinance caused a surprise by holding Eastern in the Second Division, and if they retain their present team they are going to be difficult to beat. Kowloon upset Royal Scots, drawing after fielding 10 men and being outplayed, and R.A.S.C. shared the spoils with International in Third Division in a rough and tumble.

A slow and uninteresting match was witnessed at Caroline Hill yesterday when S. China "A" defeated Kwong Wah by three clear goals, after leading by a goal at the interval. It was a match entirely devoid of thrills as neither team seemed to make any effort to exert themselves.

Tam Kwan-son played a fine game in goal and was responsible for keeping Kwong Wah scoreless. He has been under doctor's orders this week but seems to be fully recovered now. Ma Shui-hun and Lee Tin-sang displayed their usual fine combination in the full-back line and frustrated the Kwong Wah attack on more than one occasion. The halves also played well, Leung Wing-chu being especially to the fore. The defence were a bit uncertain in the opening stages but settled down later to keep Kwong Wah out of their area. The forwards worked hard, but did not display their usual speed. Their passing was good, but it appeared as if they were not trying as hard as they should have. Lee Wal-tong was back in his old place in the centre-forward position, but has been considerably slowed down by his recent injury to his leg. The line shooting for which he is justly famous was noticeably missing during the match. Fung King-cheung and Lai Shui-wing played well with Lee, but they also displayed lack of enthusiasm. Tang Kwon-sun played well on the right wing but was starved during the first half. He showed up better during the second. Ip Pak-wah, who was well to the fore on the left wing, was not so good as Lau Tau-man, who went to Shanghai three weeks ago.

There were two alterations in the Kwong Wah team. Chow Man-chi, having recovered from his leg injury, was back in his old position at inside-left and Cheuk Shek-kam went out on the right wing. The team was not noticeably the better for the changes.

Lee Kwok-kee played a reasonably good game between the sticks, but did not display his usual form, being uncertain at times. Kwok Ping-ling and Lee Kwok-wai played well in the full-back line but were not able to keep out the Chinese attack. Yeung Tse-son, Chung Kim-fai and Tse Kam-hung combined well in the half-back line. The forwards suffered from the same lack of enthusiasm as their opponents. They displayed better combination than South China, but they were up against a very much better defence and their shooting was inclined to be wild and uncertain near goal. Lee Yan-leung played well at centre and was ably supported by Lau Fook-chuen and Chow Man-chi.

After 20 minutes South China opened the scoring through Lai Shui-wing, who netted with a good shot after a pass from Lee Wal-tong.

Only a few minutes after the start of the second half, Lee Wal-tong scored a surprise goal. He shot from goal well outside the penalty area and the Kwong Wah centre-half, Chung Kim-fai, jumped for the ball and only just managed to get his head to it. The ball, slightly diverted from its course, flew into the top of the goal, the goalkeeper not having the slightest chance of touching it. Ten minutes later Fung King-cheung scored the third goal from a fine centre by Lai Shui-wing.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION	
S. China "A" 3	Kwong Wah 0
Lai Shui-wing, Lee Wal-tong, Fung King-cheung	
Police 3	Club 2
Ferrer, Johnson, Howlett	Lodge, Scott
St. Joseph's 2	Kowloon 3
Ferreira, Leonard	Lowe, Fox, Taylor
Eastern 4	Middlesex 4
Choung Young-sam, Lee Tack-kee (pen), Tam Joek-lack, Hsu Ching-to	Tait, Coomer, Pearson
SECOND DIVISION "A"	
South China 2	R.A.O.C. 2
Eastern 2	On Tse-ping 1
On Tse-ping 1	Rides, Munton
8th Hvy. Regt. 4	Club 1
Thurston 2, Cross, Owens	Gardner
SECOND DIVISION "B"	
Police 0	R. Engineers 10
Freer, Burrows	Reynolds, H. Chan, Kwan
Royal Scots 1	Kowloon 1
Williamson	Lowe, Fox
THIRD DIVISION	
International 1	R.A.S.C. 1
Cheney	Reynolds
Rignall 5	R. Engineers 2
12th Hvy. Bty. 3	Kumaon Rifles 2
Patel 2, Westwood, Freer, Burrows	Narain Singh, Krishan Singh
24th Hvy. Bty. 3	Royal Scots 0
Marshall 2, Hill	

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

First Division	
	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
S. China "A"	9 8 1 0 35 11 17
Eastern	8 5 2 1 23 12 12
Kwong Wah	9 5 0 4 22 23 10
Kowloon	7 3 2 15 9
Middlesex	9 3 3 31 22 9
Police	9 2 6 2 14 17 9
Royal Navy	8 3 1 4 18 25 7
S. China "B"	7 2 2 3 16 10 6
St. Joseph's	8 2 2 4 10 23 6
Royal Scots	8 1 2 15 10 6
Club	8 0 8 8 29 0
Totals	90 35 20 35 211 219 90

Second Division "A"	
	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Eastern	10 8 1 1 27 11 17
S. China	8 7 0 1 28 7 14
30th Heavy	7 5 0 2 21 8 10
8th Hvy. Regt.	7 4 0 3 21 15 8
Kit Chee	8 2 1 6 18 26 5
R.A.O.C.	7 1 2 4 13 23 4
5th A.A. Regt.	8 2 0 6 12 20 4
Club	7 0 7 6 29 0
Totals	62 29 4 29 145 145 62

Second Division "B"	
	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
R.E.'s	10 8 0 2 28 12 16
Kwong Wah	7 2 2 27 16 9
Royal Scots	9 5 3 1 23 10 13
Signals	10 5 2 3 17 15 12
R.A.F.	9 4 1 4 21 18 9
Police	9 2 1 6 18 31 5
Kowloon	9 0 3 6 13 23 3
University	6 0 0 6 35 0
Totals	72 30 12 30 161 161 72

Third Division	
	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
International	10 5 4 1 25 18 14
R.A.S.C.	10 5 3 2 33 15 13
S. China	8 1 2 1 27 16 9
Royal Scots	9 5 2 2 22 10 12
24th Heavy	10 5 2 3 30 22 12
R.A.M.C.	9 5 0 4 22 25 10
12th Heavy	10 4 2 4 23 26 10
Electric	7 2 2 3 20 23 6
Kumaon Rifles	8 1 3 4 18 24 5
R.E.'s	9 1 3 6 17 28 5
5th A.A. Regt.	9 1 3 6 10 27 5
Signals	9 2 0 7 15 31 4
Totals	108 41 20 41 265 265 108

ORDNANCE SURPRISE EASTERN: DRAW 2-2

THE lowly-placed R.A.O.C. gained a valuable point off Eastern, who are in the running for the championship, each side scoring two goals, and Eastern can class themselves very fortunate to save a point as the Ordnance had as much if not even more of the play.

Eastern forwards flittered away many scoring opportunities. Lee Bo, Ou Tse-ping and Chong Kam-chuen missing open goals through not shooting when within scoring distance, each player being robbed of the ball when only ten yards from the goal. Ordnance, not having the chances Eastern did, kept up pressure and only the brilliant work of Tai Bon-win prevented them from scoring on a number of occasions.

Eastern were well served by Tai Bon-win and Yeung Kwai-sang in defence, whilst the forwards, although showing good football in midfield, failed miserably in front of goal. Ou Tse-ping was the pick of the line.

Rides again played a sparkling game for Ordnance, being responsible for both the Ordnance goals with beautifully placed free kicks. Jones excelled in the defence, making brilliant recoveries times out of number. Of the forwards no one can be singled out, each player trying hard to score.

This performance ranks as one of the best in the League so far this season, and if Ordnance can only keep this side together they should give the majority of the teams a splendid game.

Losers Fail Badly In The Goalmouth

WILLIAMSON ONCE AGAIN PROVES HIS WORTH AT CENTRE-HALF

ST. Joseph's lost to Kowloon by the odd goal in five at Happy Valley yesterday. The result was a fair indication of the play, although St. Joseph's would have drawn if their forwards could have shot more accurately when in front of goal.

Kowloon had slightly more of the play in the first half and should have been leading at the interval, but they were handicapped by Taylor, who did not appear to have any idea of how to play centre-forward. Jorge, inside-right, was rarely seen with the attack as he spent most of the game foraging for the ball in midfield. His work proved very helpful, however, and he was responsible for many of the raids on St. Joseph's goal.

Well, on the left-wing, appears to have found his natural position at last. His performance yesterday proved him to be a very good winger, and with more practice he should secure a place in representative games. While on the opposite wing was badly starved and never had an opportunity to show his true worth. Williamson was the star turn of the match. His accurate passing and coolness under pressure stamp him a real footballer.

GOOD COMBINATION. Individually, St. Joseph's did not shine but they played far better combined football than Kowloon, and their combination in midfield was a picture to watch, but once they carried the ball into the penalty area they seemed to lose all confidence and were easily robbed or sent in easy shots which Smith had no difficulty in clearing. Bowen was a very effective back, and Honnibal, an old Kowloon player, was the best of the halves. Leonard, centre-forward, did not play well, being very slow on the ball and consequently being often robbed when a little more dash on his part would have sent him through.

Kowloon attacked from the outset and took the ball right into the opposing goalmouth, but a faulty centre from White saw Bowen clear. Ferreira gathered the ball and, starting off towards the Kowloon goal, easily beat the half-backs and when about 40 yards out sent in a terrific left-footed drive that had Smith beaten all the way. Costello should have had another goal in the next minute but when only a few yards from the goal he sent in a soft shot into Smith's hands. Jorge then sent over a perfect pass to Bell, who dashed in between the backs and headed the ball over Taylor's head into the goal. The same player scored another goal in the next minute.

With only 10 men and facing a far superior combination, Kowloon forced a draw with the Royal Scots at Sookunpoo, both sides scoring once.

The Royals had ninety per cent. of the game and for the most part were superior away at the Kowloon goal, but a sound defence and a great display by Lapsley, the Kowloon custodian, kept them out until just before the end when they managed to break through.

Hardwick worked like a hero in the Kowloon back division and time and time again his timely intervention broke up dangerous Scots' attacks. In the forward line Santos was the only danger forward, and it was due to his unremitting energy that Kowloon were able to net and share the points.

KWONG WAH WIN

In a disappointing game at Chatham Road, Kwong Wah gained a win over Signals by the odd goal in three. The result, however, might easily have been in favour of Signals.

It is difficult to single out any player as outstanding, but Law Chung-fong and W. Tillery were probably the best on the field both playing exceptionally well in the defence. Law Wing-kul's work on the left-wing had much to do with Kwong Wah's victory, while Bundy tried hard for the soldiers on the wing, but very little use was made of his passes.

ute, but just before half time Leonard equalised for the Saints.

The second half was a very tame affair and neither side tried very hard. Taylor sent Kowloon ahead with a goal that should never have been scored. He received the ball in front of the goal and was robbed by Bowen, but somehow or other he managed to regain possession and score.

8TH HEAVY RGT. WIN

After an even first half Club fell away badly in the closing stages and 8th Heavy Regt. emerged easy winners by 4-2. They led 2-1 at the interval.

For the winners Wong Hui-ling, at right-back was the best defender on view. In the forward line Owens and Burgess deserve special mention for their clever scheming.

Club owed a lot to Marvin, whose goalkeeping prevented a much heavier defeat. Millington, at left-back, came through with flying colours, while Chow, left-half, never relaxed in his efforts to set the attack in motion. Club forwards were ineffectual, however, and were chiefly to blame for their side's defeat.

ROUGH PLAY. On St. Joseph's ground, International were very lucky to take a point from R.A.S.C. in a match which produced very little football and much robust play. Wild and indiscriminate kicking got so bad that the referee had to call both teams together and warn them collectively.

The final score of one-all is not a fair reflection of the play as R.A.S.C., although not the better footballers, had more of the exchanges and on several occasions were unlucky not to score.

International were handicapped from the start by having their left-winger injured and off the field. Bux in place of the injured player, but played well and brought off many fine saves. Aquino was the best of the backs. Leonard and Coomer were the best of a good set of forwards who were rather handicapped by the loss of their outside-left.

Smart was the only player worthy of mention in the R.A.S.C. team.

KOWLOON SURPRISE

defence was their biggest asset, Gibb being the outstanding player and receiving plenty of support from Fraser.

ROYALS BEATEN

At Happy Valley, 24th R.A. defeated a weakened Royal Scots' side by 3 goals to nil in a fast game which was not as one-sided as the score suggests.

The Royal Scots forward line was not as effective as usual, presumably due to the absence of Bailey and Holden, while Crawford, apart from one or two indifferent shots at goal, did not show his usual form. In view of the fact that the forwards were so often out of position, the half-backs could hardly be blamed because their passes seldom found their men, but they were definitely lacking in defensive tactics, and had it not been for the steadiness of the backs the Gunners would have scored at least twice more.

In the 24th R.A. line-up, Minshall, in goal, was safe when the ball came his way, which was not often, and Benton, left-half, showed his best form. Of the forwards, Marshall, at centre, was always dangerous when in possession of the ball and worked well with Mason on his right. The wingers, however, were generally too slow in centring, and many opportunities went to waste because of their tardiness in passing the ball first time.

10 FOR R.E.

Police received a crushing defeat when they lost to the Engineers by 10 goals to nil at Boundary Road. Engineers netting seven goals in the second half.

Fox and Lowe were the outstanding forwards on the field, and scored four goals each due to their fine combined play. Fox played particularly well and was kept well fed by the wingers, and he took advantage of all scoring opportunities.

'DIEHARDS' AGAIN OUT OF LUCK

A fast and interesting game was witnessed on the Club ground between Eastern and Middlesex, each side scoring on no fewer than four occasions.

At no period of the season will Eastern be so completely outplayed and still manage to save a point.

The 'Diehards' were fast and played grand, constructive football, their forwards, being always ready to seize opportunities, giving the Chinese defence a grueling time, particularly in the closing minutes of the game.

Pearson played a brilliant game. Being the chief schemer and distributing the ball to the best advantage, he crowned a splendid afternoon's work with a perfect goal to place the 'Diehards' in the lead during the last 10 minutes of the game. After this point had been registered they were all over Eastern and were unlucky in not netting on other occasions.

The soldiers' half-backs also played brilliantly and were continually playing their forwards with grand passes. Sheehan again played a fine game, being the best back on view, and he was ably assisted by Cooper at right-back.

For Eastern Hsu King-shing was the only defender to shine, and but for this player the 'Diehards' would certainly have won the game. At forward Choung Young-sam played well, with Tam Joek-lack the next best.

SPIRITED START. The game opened in a spirited manner each side attacking from the wings. Hsu King-shing in the forwards' goal and instead of shooting centred over the defenders' heads for Choung Young-sam to net. At this stage Eastern were on top and another dangerous move was only cleared at the second attempt by Drake. A clever interpassing bout between Coomer and Pearson enabled the former to race towards goal and score with an unstoppable shot. The 'Diehards' continued to press after their initial success. Pearson having atrocious luck with a shot that hit the post, only for Lau Hin-hon to push the ball round for a corner. Again the 'Diehards' attacked and Thomas, making a grand effort after the corner, sent a shot into the net for Lee Tack-kee made no mistake.

After the interval the 'Diehards' crammed on pressure but all against the run of play Tam Joek-lack placed Eastern in the lead with a shot which entered the net off the far upright, Drake being powerless to save. After Lau Hin-hon had made a partial clearance from Saw, Thomas made a supreme effort and retrieved the ball to centre for Tai to shoot into the net for the equaliser.

The 'Diehards' attacked again and, after splendid interpassing, Pearson scored a grand goal, but, all against the run of play, Hsu Ching-to broke through to net Eastern's equalising goal.

MIDDLESEX-Drake, Cooper, Sheehan, Freshwater, Bright, Wilkinson, Coomer, Pearson, Tai, Saw and Thomas for up-right, Drake being powerless to save. After Lau Hin-hon had made a partial clearance from Saw, Thomas made a supreme effort and retrieved the ball to centre for Tai to shoot into the net for the equaliser.

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TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL

The following is to-day's programme:-

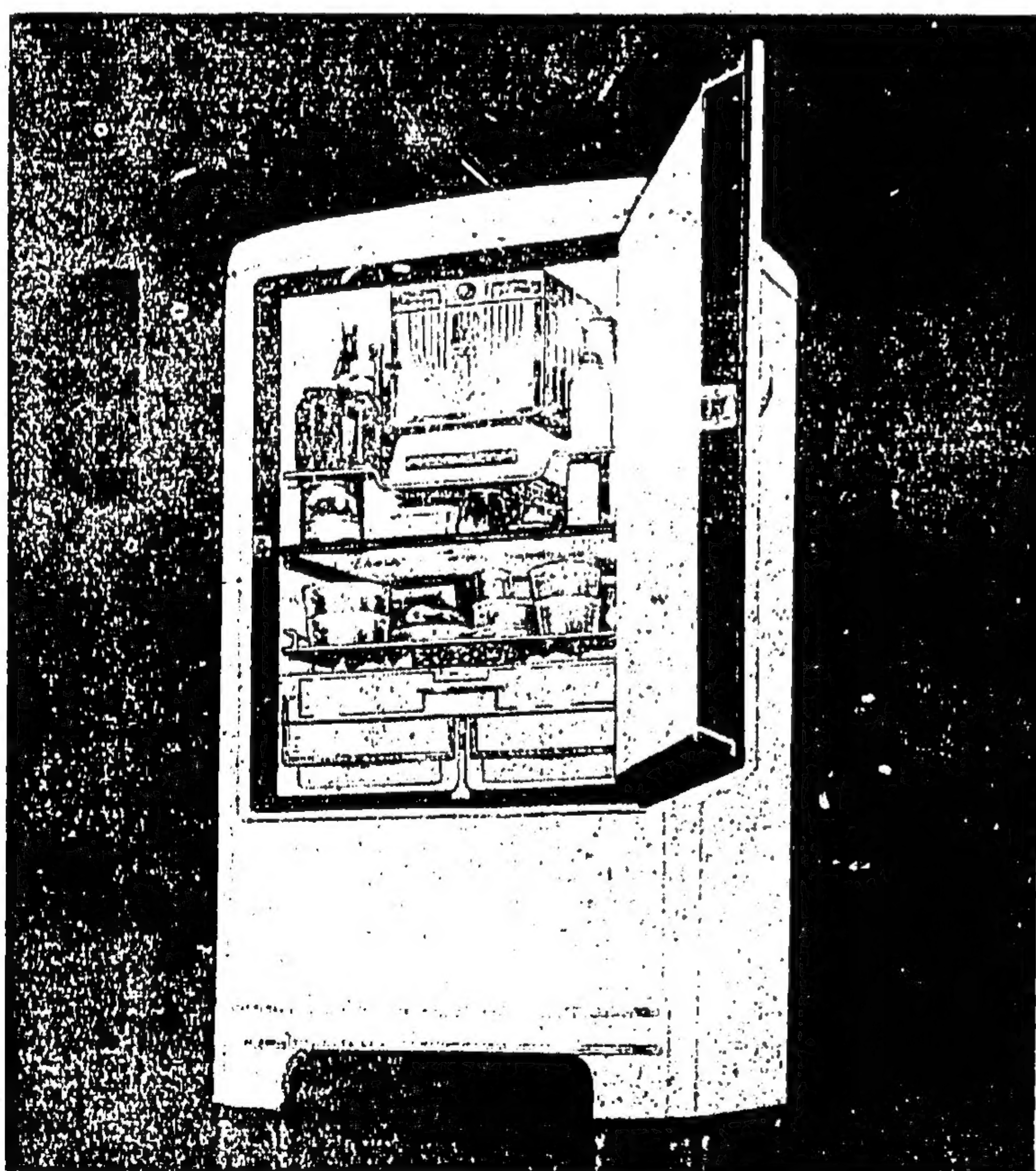
First Division	Second Division
Police v South China "B"	Police v Kit Chee
(Causeway Bay at 4.00 p.m.)	(Stanley at 2.30 p.m.)
24th R.A. v R.A.M.C.	South China v R.A.M.C.
(Causeway Bay at 4.00 p.m.)	(Caroline Hill at 2.30 p.m.)
Signals v Engineers	Signals v Engineers
(Sookunpoo at 4.00 p.m.)	(Sookunpoo at 4.00 p.m.)
24th R.A. v R. Scots	24th R.A. v R. Scots
(Military at 2.30 p.m.)	(Military at 2.30 p.m.)

TO-DAY'S SOFTBALL

The following is to-day's softball programme:-

LADIES'	BOYS'
Recreo v Wildcats	Recreo v Pirates
(Recreo, 10.30 a.m.)	(Prince Edward Road, 10.30 a.m.)
Cubs v Pirates	Canadian Chinese v Wahos
(Prince Edward Road, 10.30 a.m.)	(Prince Edward Road, noon)
H.K. Ball Club v Panthers	(Prince Edward Road, 1.30 p.m.)
(Prince Edward Road, 1.30 p.m.)	
H.K. Ball Club v Machine Gunners	
(C.B.A., noon)	
Chinese B.C. v Filipino Club	
(C.B.A., 1.15 p.m.)	
Canadian Chinese v Liga Portuguesa	
(C.B.A., 2.30 p.m.)	
U.S.S. Mindanao v Trojans	
(C.B.A., 3.45 p.m.)	

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SHORT STORY

Turkish Tragedy

I think it was during the second rubber that Gidney began to suspect. We were sitting in the little lounge of the Tokatlian Hotel at Therapia, by the corner window that looks out across the blue water of the Bosphorus to the hills of Asia Minor; and we had wasted the whole of that long, glorious afternoon playing bridge, because Mrs. Gidney, forsooth, thought she had caught a chill the night before.

She was the world's worst player, and I was her partner, but I had borne up pretty well, all things considered, until she very kindly cleared our opponents' long suit by leading out her ace and king. Then I gave the show away. I said nothing, but I snapped my fingers, right to left, in a sideways jerk, in a way I have when I'm annoyed, and I saw Gidney stiffen in his chair and stare at me.

"D'you know," he said slowly, "I'll swear I've seen you before somewhere. But where—where?" and he rapped his forehead in the effort to remember, while I sat quite still and felt a cold sweat break out on my body.

It's all very well to spend a fortnight living, as it were, on the crater of a volcano. You acquire, as time passes, a sort of fatalistic courage. But when some one gives you the final push and you find yourself swaying on the crumbling verge, then you know what real fear is.

As from a long distance I heard Gidney's voice again. "Now, where could I have met you? I don't know many Americans, and I've never

known any one called Oates. But just then—for a minute—I felt I'd got it and that I was going to remember. And now it's gone again."

I drew a deep breath. The noises of the world surged back, the distant tinkle of the orchestra from the bar below, the voices of the Armenians and the Russians and the Greeks, chattering away nineteen to the dozen; and I was aware of Linda's eye upon me, a puzzled frown wrinkling her smooth brow.

Why, her look said, hadn't I said that I was a naturalised American and that Oates was my mother's name, adopted because I was tired of being one of the million odd Smiths in the world? But she was a loyal wife if ever there was one. She held her peace, and I sat silent, racking my brains for some-

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thing safe to say, something that wouldn't waken any dangerous echo from the past, when Mrs. Gidney's ready voice saved the situation. "Well," said she, "aren't we ever going on?"

"Sure," I said heartily, "let's get on with the game." Linda gave me an understanding smile. She was looking unusually beautiful that day, slim and strong as a young Amazon in a backless, sleeveless dress of white Brussels silk. And as I looked at her I felt a sudden uprush of love and anger and fear. I would do anything—anything sooner than lose her.

Mrs. Gidney and I lost the first three rubbers, and Gidney was in high good-humour. He was the kind of man who is always good-tempered when he is winning. He chaffed Linda admiringly, complimenting her on her play. "But I suppose," said he, "you'd much sooner be out swimming or playing tennis?"

Linda shrugged her graceful shoulders. "Oh," she said, "I swim so much I'll shortly be growing scales. It's good to have a change!"

"She's the best swimmer in Istanbul," I put in. "Not so long ago she swam across the Bosphorus, and that's some feat, I can tell you. The current's as strong as a millrace."

Gidney shuddered. "That wouldn't suit me. I'm lucky if I can swim six strokes with one leg on the ground. None of your Bosphorus for me."

"She's the best swimmer in Istanbul," I put in. "Not so long ago she swam across the Bosphorus, and that's some feat, I can tell you. The current's as strong as a millrace."

Gidney shuddered. "Horrible!" she said, and drew the venetian shawl more closely round her thin shoulders.

"Most disconcerting," agreed Linda sympathetically. "But if you like bathing, Killos is the place. On the Black Sea, a quarter of a mile of shallow water over white sand, and hot as your bath. You can lie and bask by the hour."

Gidney sighed luxuriously. "That sounds good to me. Where do we go?" I turned back from the window where I had been staring out. "Let's go now," I suggested. "If you're all game, I'll order the car." And after a bit of discussion and a wall or two from Mrs. Gidney, it was agreed.

I felt as if a load had been lifted from my mind. To get out there, to the long white beaches, and plunge with Linda into the warm, glistening water, would be to wash from my mind the haunting fear of the last week, and the memory I had been trying to escape for twenty years. To-morrow, too, Hansen would be back—Hansen, my chief—and the responsibility for looking after Gidney would pass to him.

It was sheer bad luck that, on the very day Gidney arrived, armed with his letters of introduction from the London clearing-house of the American firm I worked for, Hansen should have been on the point of leaving for a week's cure at Yalova.

I don't think he noticed the look on my face when he tossed Gidney's card over to me, saying, "Well, son, I'm out on this. You must do the best you can for the gentleman." And by the time Gidney entered the office I had retreated to the window and was looking out, out over the Sea of Marmara and the passing steamers, wondering if this time next day I should be in one of them, sailing down past the Dardanelles with Linda, my job, everything that made life worth while, lost for good.



"By the look in his eyes I knew that I was lost!"

The funny thing was that Gidney didn't recognise me, but I suppose that twenty years, including seventeen months with the American Expeditionary Force in France, had changed me a bit. All the same I would have known him anywhere; a trifle fatter and flabbier, a good deal more pompous, but the same in essence as that morning in the Gracechurch-street office, twenty years back, when he had looked up from my ledger, peering over his gold-rimmed pince-nez, and said, "Mr. Smith, there's a figure here I don't quite understand—a slight discrepancy."

It was such a common story, a bit of gambling and a bit of betting, a lad with a small income, trying to live up to wealthier friends, and finally turning to moneylenders and their cruel interest that couldn't be paid.

It was lucky for me that I found an excuse to put him off for an hour or two—luckier still that I had enough money in hand to buy my passage to the States. Half an hour after I stepped ashore at Hoboken I had become Richard Oates, a man with thirty shillings in the world and no past, but with a boundless determination to run straight and make good in the future.

Well, I had done both things, but what would that avail me now? I asked myself that as I stood aside to let Gidney pass out of the lounge. He wore a horn-rimmed spectacle now, but the eyes behind them were as cold and fish-like as ever. He looked soft, too, soft as only a man looks who had never in his life come face to face with real danger or real fear. Well, I had had my fill of both, and all I asked now was quiet, quiet and a job of work to do—and Linda.

I slipped my arm round her waist as we followed the Gidneys down the stairs. The band was playing a selection of old popular tunes. English ones among them, and as they swung into the Pelissier air, "I worship the ground you tread so lightly," I began to sing it, softly at first, then a little louder. And suddenly Gidney halted, swung round and faced me. "By heaven!" he said, "you're—"

"You're what?" said Linda, puzzled.

He gave me a long, curious stare. "Nothing," he said, and walked on, but by the look in his eyes I knew that I was lost.

We piled into the car and started on the long run up the Bosphorus and over the foothills to Killos. I wondered if it would be any good to appeal to him, to throw myself on his mercy. Anything would be worth trying. "Gidney," I said, and saw Linda look at me, startled. Even to myself my voice sounded hoarse and unnatural. "I'd like to speak to you privately when you can manage it, on a matter of business."

He gave a nasty, crooked, secretive sort of smile. "Why, Oates," he said, halting appreciably over the name, "I think we'd better leave business till Mr. Hansen comes back. It's a pity to spoil a holiday."

So that was that. He meant to go through with it. There was no hope—no hope anywhere.

We were rounding the head of the Bosphorus, bumping over the cobble streets of the little fishing villages, between the wooden houses with the storks' nests on the roofs and the mushroom-like screens to the upper windows. To the right lay the narrow neck of water that led to the Black Sea—ahead, the hills beyond which lay Killos. Linda was talking to Mrs. Gidney. "It's such a pity that you don't bathe. Killos is as safe as houses."

I opened my mouth to say "Except for the channel," and then shut it with the words unsaid, for in that moment the idea, the horrible idea had come to me. That deep, diagonal channel in the white sand, running from the beach slantways across the bay—the channel that only the experienced could detect by the faint, uneasy movement of the water. And Gidney was a poor swimmer; he had just said as much. What would be easier than to lead him, in a casual sort of way, along the beach, away from the other bathers, and then leave him—to chance, or to his fate? I shuddered. I was mad to think of such a thing. All this ghastly business was just a nightmare from which I should surely wake to the pleasant, normal ways of life again. But I

looked at Gidney and knew it was no dream.

Gidney was first in the water. He turned to wave to his wife, installed in her little leaf-roofed shelter, and then plunged in with a splash like a giant porpoise. Linda followed, running out through the shallows till she found her depth, and striking out, with lovely clean strokes, into the blue.

I started to follow her, and stopped with a jerk. It was essential that I should draw him further along the beach. "Come on," I called to him, "let's get clear of all this mob." But a girl in a green swimming-suit threw him a giant rubber ball, and he was playing with it, bouncing about like a great infant with yells of delight. "Oh, well," I said under my breath. "Take your time, I'm in no hurry." I lay down in the shallow water and watched (Continued on Page 25)

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When It's All Over--

BY HOWARD MARSHALL

LET'S look forward and be cheerful. For the time being I'm an invalid and dictating this from bed. It's the results of a sleepless night listening to Adolf. Adolf is our cottage mouse. He spends his time furiously trying to gnaw through the woodwork which imprisons him. A noisy, trapped, unhappy little mouse is Adolf.

And, as I listened to him last night, I indulged in fancy. That's an invalid's privilege. And my fancy was this:

The war may be over quite soon. Much sooner than we imagine, provided we peg steadily away.

THE BENEFITS
When it's over, what then? I believe the world may be the better for this strange war. I believe that, as a result of it, mankind may take a vast stride forward.

The Great War of 1914 brought misery certainly. But in this country it also immensely heightened our social conscience.

It paved the way for unemployment insurance—no one will dispute the benefits of that.

It produced the Education Act of 1918 and fixed the school-leaving age at 14. It produced the Addison Housing Act of 1919, and since then 3,500,000 houses have been built to replace the overcrowded hovels of the slums.

The social conscience. Not a bad thing to stimulate, even at the cost of war. It spreads wider than dust.

clearance, and the dole. Ultimately, it must make war impossible.

SHAKE UP EDUCATION

In the meanwhile, war breaks down class distinctions. It shuffles us like a pack of cards. And this time we're going to deal ourselves a grand slam, with hearts as trumps.

Hearts—because there's been too much head, too much cold, statistical calculation about our approach to life in recent years.

Education, for example, is concentrated more on curriculum than character. After the war we should take education by the scruff of the neck and shake some sense into it. Shake all the old fetiches out of it. Revise the whole system. Concentrate upon character rather than cramming. Abolish examinations. Raise the school-leaving age to 16 at least.

The future peace, after all, depends upon our children. And they should be educated to that end.

The last war gave women the vote. This war should set them leading a campaign against dirt and disease on the widest scale.

Already the evacuation has taught us many lessons. These sick and verminous children—have they shocked us? I hope so, for the responsibility is ours. Our eyes have been opened. Complacency is down and out.

From cleanliness to housing. From housing to health. Maybe to a State medical service.

A NEW HEALTH PLAN

I look to the day when doctors will no longer spend their time patching up broken crabs, but will labour instead at the preservation

of health; when we shall all be kept fit, like properly served cars, instead of allowing ourselves to break down.

Health is not merely absence of disease. It is a positive state of being. It can be preserved.

This will come. And the war will hasten it, mark my words.

Even the hardships of the war may bring blessings after them. And this, I think, is certain. Our future depends upon the family, and the family must be endowed.

Public works—there the scope will be tremendous. Service for war turned to service for peace. Unemployment absorbed in an army of reconstruction. Roads, camps, the land, universities for the working boy. Willing service, unregimented. The co-operation of a united people.

No grandiloquent phrases about a land fit for heroes to live in. Just as we have entered this war without sentimental slush and drum banging, so we shall enter the peace—quietly determined to build a saner world.

Above all, with time to stand and stare. Not the enforced idleness of unemployment, but the chance to savour life. The chance to acquire new values—to find out where we're going.

All our fret and hurry and noisy rush in recent years have been the scampings of frightened children in the dark. Now we should cultivate tranquility.

In the market place, say the Chinese, there is noise and money, but under the cherry tree there is rest and peace.

TURKISH TRAGEDY

(Continued from Page 24)

There weren't many people on the beach. Only here, by the little lifeboat shack under the old Turkish castle on the cliff, a crowd of perhaps twenty-odd splashed and screamed near the shore. Linda alone was swimming far out. In the shimmer of sun on the water I had lost sight even of the small black dot that was her head.

Gidney seemed to be tiring of the clamour around him. I rose and strode across to him. "Coming for a walk?" He looked at me suspiciously. "It's no use, my good fellow," he said. "What I have to say, I shall say to Hansen in the morning. In the meantime I shall go for a stroll—alone, if you don't mind."

"Have it your own way," I said, and turned my back on him, cold hatred in my heart. I didn't want to look round, but after a minute I could stand the suspense no longer, and risked a glance over my shoulder. He had stood, seemingly, of following the sickle-curve of the bay and was striking across it. About ten yards ahead of him, drawn across the smooth surface of the water, was what looked like a long, crepe ribbon. I turned away, feeling sick.

And then suddenly there was a snout, a hoarse, agonised yell, and nearer at hand a confused babel of cries from the bathers. I swung round. The crepe ribbon was broken by a little patch of troubled water. A man came past me at a trot, slipping in the soft dry sand. "Some fellow got caught in the channel," he panted. "Doesn't look as if he was much of a swimmer. Going to get a rope."

He jerked his head towards the lifeboat shack. I ran after him. I was lighter and harder than he, and I got there first, but the door was locked and padlocked and the life-guard nowhere in sight.

"Poor devil's making a fight for it," he gasped, as we flung our weight against the unyielding wood. "Can't we break down this blasted door?" "No use," said I. "It's too thick. Has any one gone in after him?" He shrugged. "No one. They all know the current."

A sudden overwhelming horror of what I had allowed to happen came over me. "I'll have a shot, anyway," I said, and was off, sprinting across the sand. As I passed Mrs. Gidney I saw that she had fallen asleep under her lent-roofed shelter.

There was a little knot of people clustered at the mouth of the channel. As I pushed through them I saw Gidney's head appear above water, twenty yards out. "Get a rope!" he shrieked. "For heaven's sake—" and as he shrieked his mouth filled with water and he went down again.

"Hold on a minute, old man!" I yelled. "I'm coming!" I saw his head appear again and two wildly flailing arms, but I doubt if he heard me. And then, just as the sand fell away under my feet and I felt the tug of the current, I saw something that turned my heart sick, a black bathing-cap, two white arms cutting swiftly through the water, straight in from sea towards the channel.

"Linda!" I shouted. "For heaven's

sake keep away!" but she had reached him even as I spoke. There was a convulsed flurry in the water as the drowning man caught at her; then they both disappeared, but next minute they were up again. Linda fighting to keep her grip. Gidney clutching at her wildly, dragging her down.

I caught him by the hair and got a hand under his armpit. "I've got him," I gasped. "Let go and tread water till you get your breath." Obviously she loosed her grip. Gidney had ceased to struggle, but at my voice he woke up. "Let me go!" he shrieked. "You devil, you want to drown me!" and kicked like a madman, so that it was all I could do to hang on to him; and all the time the current was carrying us, slowly and relentlessly, further from the shore.

"Stop that fighting, or I'll bash your head in!" I told him, and felt his struggle die away. "All right now!" I asked Linda. She was deathly white, but she smiled at me. "All right." Then take his other arm," I told her, "and hurry or we'll be carried out to sea."

The struggle began. I don't know how long it lasted. It was all we could do to hold our own against the pull of the water. Then gradually it seemed that the faces of the crowd on the beach were drawing nearer; I could distinguish people I knew. But the effort was telling. I was dead. I shouted for brandy. Some one—I saw with a shock that it was my little Russian barber from the Rue de Paris—thrust a bottle of the fiery native cognac into my hand, and I poured half of it down Gidney's throat. He coughed, spluttered and sat up; then put his hand to his face in a dazed way. "I've lost my spectacles," he said. "Has any one seen my spectacles?"

We laid Gidney on the hot sand, and he lay there, white and still, so that for a moment I thought he was dead. I shouted for brandy. Some one—I saw with a shock that it was my little Russian barber from the Rue de Paris—thrust a bottle of the fiery native cognac into my hand, and I poured half of it down Gidney's throat. He coughed, spluttered and sat up; then put his hand to his face in a dazed way. "I've lost my spectacles," he said. "Has any one seen my spectacles?"

After that it was a question of minutes to roll him in a coat and get him back to the car. Linda showed commendable firmness in checking a tendency to hysteria on the part of Mrs. Gidney, and as the car turned towards Therapia, Gidney, partly I think to escape his wife's questions, lay back with closed eyes. I thought he was asleep, and then, looking up, saw that he was watching me.

He cleared his throat, and I had a horrid feeling that he was going to thank me. In view of what he proposed to do next morning, it would have been more than I could stand; but it was to Linda he spoke. "D'you know, Mrs. Oates," he said, "I had the impression, about an hour ago, that I knew where I had met you, husband before; but now I realise I was mistaken; quite mistaken."

"Perhaps," said Linda, "when you get another pair of spectacles you'll find you were right after all." He smiled, a queer little smile, and looked straight at me. "I have no intention," he said, "of getting another pair of spectacles while I am in Turkey."

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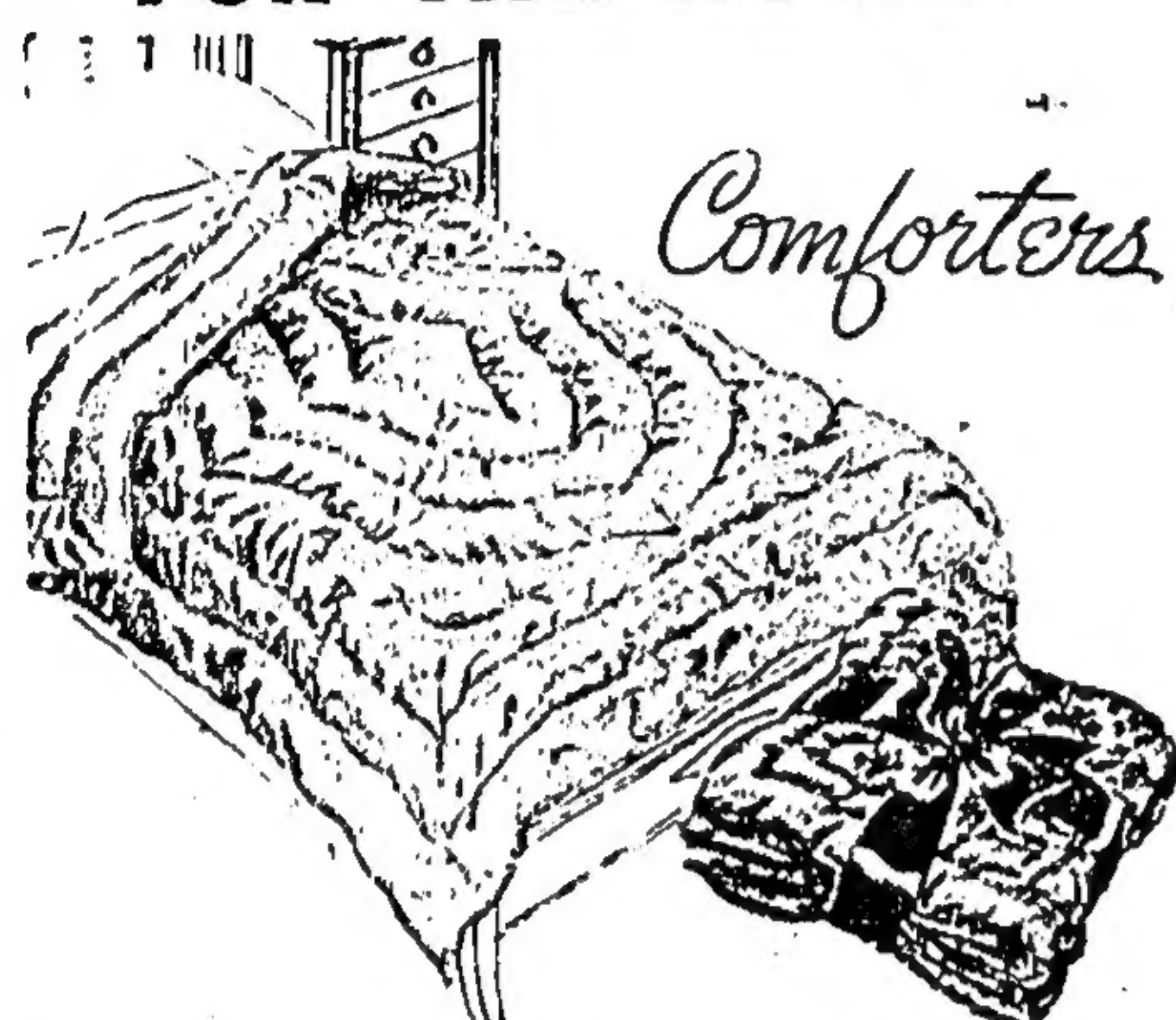
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LEAGUE AND FINLAND Vital Meeting Of Council Postponed Till Monday

MEMBERS FAVOUR EXPULSION OF RUSSIA

Geneva, Yesterday.
INTEREST IN FINLAND'S fight against Soviet
aggression centres to-day in Geneva, where the
League Council is meeting to discuss Finland's
appeal.

The British delegation (headed by Mr. R. A. But-
ler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) and
the French delegation arrived here from Paris
on the same train this morning. They met in
Paris yesterday for an exchange of opinions on
policy to be pursued.

There is universal sympathy for
Finland.

France's attitude was indicated by
Premier Daladier in his broadcast
last night, when he referred to the
Soviet invasion as "this abominable
outrage," and said France was go-
ing to Geneva to answer Finland's
appeal for justice.

In Burgos this morning, the
Spanish Cabinet met and ex-
pressed profound sympathy for
Finland in her struggle against
"barbaric aggression."

The Finnish Note was received by
M. Joseph Avenol, Secretary-Gen-
eral of the League, yesterday.

The Note outlines events before the
attack on Finland and announces
Finland's determination to fight to
the end.—Reuter.

MONDAY MEETING

Geneva, Yesterday.
The League Council will
not hold its scheduled meet-
ing to-day to discuss the
Finnish appeal as M. Holsti,
the permanent Finnish
delegate, is not yet
ready with the full state-
ment of his country's case.

The meeting will probably be de-
ferred till Monday.
In the meantime, the various de-
legations will meet privately to dis-
cuss the agenda and consult with
each other.

Mr. R. A. Butler, leader of the Bri-
tish delegation, was visited shortly
after his arrival at his hotel by M.
Holsti.—Reuter.

EVENING MEETING TO DISCUSS PROCEDURE

Geneva, Yesterday.
It has now been decided that there
will be a public meeting of the
League Council at 5 o'clock this
afternoon.

The general trend of opinion in
League circles appears to favour
the expulsion of Russia from the League.
—Reuter.

FORMAL APPEAL

Geneva, Yesterday.
The Finnish delegate, M. Holsti, has
formally lodged an appeal under
Article XV.

The Secretariat of the League
has adopted an accelerated pro-
cedure to deal with the Russo-
Finnish dispute.

It is noteworthy that the expulsion
of a member requires the unanimous
vote of the Council, but unanimity
in the present composition of the
League is believed here to be un-
likely.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S POLICY DECIDED

The British delegation, together
with the delegation of New Zealand,
to the Council and Assembly of the
League of Nations travelled by rail
from Paris to Geneva.

While in Paris Mr. R. A. Butler
called at Quai D'Orsay and had a
long conversation with M. Paul Bon-
cour and M. Chamberlain de Ribes,
who are also in Geneva.
Complete identity of views and of
purpose were revealed in these talks.

BIRTH

BENWELL.—On 9th December,
1939, at the Queen Mary Hos-
pital, to Kathleen, wife of V. M.
Benwell, a son.

It is expected that the Council and
Assembly meetings will occupy the
greater part of next week. It is the
desire of the British Government that
the agenda shall be confined to the
item for which the Council has been
specially summoned.

On the general question of the ac-
tion to be taken in support of Fin-
land or against Russia, the British
Government's policy will be partly
determined by the discussions which
will be held in Geneva. But they
will, in principle, adhere strictly to
the interpretation of Article XVII
which they formally stated at the
last Assembly meeting in Septem-
ber, 1938, namely that each case must
be determined on its merits.— Bri-
tish Wireless.

U.S. AND BLOCKADE

COULD SAY NO MORE NOR LESS

New York, Yesterday.
The "New York Times"
this morning declares that
the United States Note to
Britain on the stopping of
German exports is typical
of America's position.

"On the one hand," says the jour-
nal, "as the greatest neutral nation,
the United States has a vital stake
in international law."

"On the other hand, there is Ameri-
can sympathy with the Allies in
their fight against Nazi aggression."

The newspaper points out that at
no time in the Note was the word
"protest" used.—Reuter.

SURVIVORS REACH ENGLAND

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
THE SURVIVORS HAVE AR-
RIVED AT A BRITISH PORT OF
THE BRITISH FREIGHTERS
MANCHESTER REGIMENT AND
CHANCELLOR, WHICH WERE IN-
VOLVED IN A COLLISION WITH
OTHER SHIPS IN A HEAVY FOG
IN THE ATLANTIC.

The Manchester Regiment is be-
lieved to be still afloat, but a num-
ber of the crew, all Britons, are
missing.

The survivors arrived on board
a British liner, and included the
Chancellor's entire crew of 42.—
Reuter.

BRITISH GASMASKS FOR FINLAND

London, Yesterday.
It is understood that, in addition
to supplying Finland with fighter
planes, Britain is despatching 50,000
military gas-masks for use by the
Finnish Army.—Reuter.

MADAME CHIANG HAS OPERATION

Chungking, Yesterday.
It is learned that Madame Chiang
Kai-shek has successfully undergone
an operation on her nose. She is
now recuperating.—Central News.



Mr. More-Bell has just returned from France. During his
visit to the Front he lunched with Lord Gort (second
from right) and Lord Munster (left). The menu included sand-
wiches, tomatoes, eggs, plum cake, apples and a glass of French beer.
Lord Gort is just sampling the cake. (Copyright. By Air Mail).

ITALY'S POSITION CLEARER

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Rome, Yesterday.

Political circles consider
that the communique issued
after the Fascist Grand
Council meeting outlines
unequivocally Italy's inter-
national stand.

They consider it means that bar-
rains unforeseen developments, peace
will be maintained in the Mediter-
ranean and southern Europe at least
during the winter.

Special significance is attached
to the term "non-belligerent"
used in the communique, and
which legally does not corre-
spond to "neutral."

This, it is thought, indicates that
Italy may later on reconsider her
stand.

Observers point out that while the
reaffirmation of Berlin-Rome rela-
tions was only of a formal character,
special emphasis was given to Italian
concern at any political change in
the Balkans.—Havas.

RADIO STATION FOR POLAND

PARIS, YESTERDAY.
A NEW BROADCASTING STA-
TION, WHICH HAS BEEN PLACED
AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE
POLISH GOVERNMENT BY THE
FRENCH GOVERNMENT, WAS
OPENED LAST EVENING BY GEN-
ERAL SIKORSKI, THE POLISH
PREMIER.

General Sikorski paid tribute to
the attitude of Britain and France
towards the Polish Government.

Both countries, he said, had pro-
mised to bear the brunt of the costs
for maintenance of the Polish arm-
ed forces.

After the victorious conclusion
of the war, these accounts would
be settled between Poland and
the Allies.

General Sikorski pledged that
the gold reserve of the Bank of Po-
land, taken out of the country be-
fore the Nazi occupation, would not
be touched, but after the war would
be used for the benefit of the Polish
nation.—Reuter.

CHINA AND LEAGUE AGENDA

Geneva, Yesterday.
It is reported that the Chinese
are not insisting on the carrying
over of the Sino-Japanese issue to
this session of the League.—Reuter.

BRITISH HELP TO FINNS

London, Yesterday.
The German wireless alleges
that 20 fighter planes for Fin-
land have been ordered from
the U.S.A. in order not to com-
promise British relations with
the Soviet.

In fact, all the planes were
supplied by British firms and
were of British manufacture.

British authoritative circles
are not inclined to conceal or
belittle the help given the Finns
against the Soviet aggression,
nor are they under any undue
apprehension regarding possi-
ble Soviet reactions.—Reuter.

MARVELS OF BRITISH AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION

London, Yesterday.

The British press carries
detailed reports of a recent
visit by British and foreign
journalists to a modern
aircraft factory producing
Blenheim bombers.

The factory started production at
the end of 1937, and the first ma-
chine was produced in the summer
of 1939.

The factory is planned as a self-
contained unit with its own power
plant, hospital, fire-engines and
housing estate, and produces the en-
tire aircraft except the engines, in-
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of the factory suggests that the manu-
facture of aircraft has become a
mass production industry compar-
able to the motor-car industry.—
Reuter.

360 GERMANS BEING REPATRIATED

Dar-es-Salaam, Yesterday.
A group of 360 Germans who are
being repatriated from Tanganyika
left here yesterday for Venice on an
Italian steamer.—Reuter.

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Outsider:—Dow Jones

PLANS FOR U.S. SHIPS

Washington, Yesterday.
After seeing Mr. Joseph Kennedy,
United States Ambassador to Britain
(who was formerly Chairman of
the Maritime Commission), President
Roosevelt announced that a plan for
reviving the American merchant
marine is under consideration.
The United States will try to use
its vessels on trade routes outside
the war areas for carrying goods
which belligerent merchantmen now
carry.—Reuter.

RED ARMY THROWN BACK

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land's 1,500-mile coast line.
Much of the area is ice-bound dur-
ing the whole winter, and the forti-
fications and the mining of the wa-
ters by the Finns will make it prac-
tically free from Russian interfer-
ence.

Communications between Finland
and Sweden will, therefore, remain
open.—Reuter.

THREAT DISCOUNTED

Helinski, Yesterday.
An official statement discounts the
Russian blockade threat, and de-
clares that Finnish mines, coastal
batteries, aircraft and warships must
be reckoned with.

The statement adds that no ship
can enter the Gulf of Bothnia and it
is unlikely that the Gulf of Finland
can be blockaded effectively.—Reu-
ter.

NO TRIUMPHAL PARADES FOR RED ARMY

Helinski, Yesterday.
Dr. Ryti, the Finnish Premier, in
a broadcast, warned the Red Army
not to expect a parade in Finland.

A report from Oslo states that the
Red troops are 11 miles from Pelt-
samo Fjord.

Three Russian battalions are con-
centrating here, and are suffering
from cold and hunger.

In spite of the nearness of the
enemy the Finns are still maintain-
ing their positions.

A Finnish motor torpedo-boat
made a successful raid on part
of the Red naval base of Kron-
stadt.

(It is of interest to recall that
British M.T.B.s, during the opera-
tions against the Bolsheviks after
the Great War, carried out a dar-
ing and successful attack against
the same base).

LEAFLET RAID

Finnish planes yesterday made a
leaflet raid over Leningrad.

The leaflets called on Russian
workers not to put faith in M.
Molotov, the Soviet Premier.

Meanwhile, the Swedes have
placed a new minefield near the
Aaland Islands, and Stockholm has
been closed to shipping.—Reuter.

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